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## GETTING DOWN TO BUSINESS



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Trinagra Enterprises LLC, a Middletown-based business entity, plans to purchase the former Black Horse Tavern at 101 E. Main St., contingent upon obtaining a new hotel liquor license from the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, according to an attorney representing Trinagra. The restaurant has been closed and the property and business for sale since May 2018.

### Well-known restaurateur to buy Black Horse

By Dan Miller  
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The Black Horse Tavern at 101 E. Main St. is under contract to new owners who plan to reopen the restaurant — hopefully by football season.

The Black Horse is “under contract and will settle in August,” said Lou Santangelo with Sans & Company Intermediaries, which has listed the property since May 2018 when the Black Horse restaurant closed.

Santangelo would not identify any of the parties behind the entity looking to purchase the business and real estate, known as Trinagra Enterprises LLC.

However, Santangelo said that the new owners already have

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“several other restaurants” in the Harrisburg area, and that their names should be well known.

Trinagra Enterprises LLC has applied to the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board for a new hotel liquor license for the premises, according to a public notice posted in the front window of the former Black Horse.

Steve Nicholas, an attorney representing Trinagra, declined to provide contact information for Trinagra but said that it is a “new business entity” based in Middletown.

Nicholas said that Trinagra’s

purchase of the property is contingent upon the liquor control board issuing the new license, and that Trinagra hopes to complete some renovations and be open in time for the football season.

He said that Trinagra’s application is not for transfer of an existing license, but for a new license. The board is not requiring a public hearing for the Trinagra application, according to Nicholas.

Besides the Trinagra application, which is pending, the LCB website lists a hotel liquor license for Black Horse Grille Joint Venture under the Zoumas name, but that license expired as of Feb. 28.

The Zoumas partnership, under the name GFD LLC, purchased what was then the former Lamp Post Inn property in March 2015 for

\$300,000 from Elizabeth T. Heddy.

After completing about \$320,000 in renovations, the Zoumas partnership reopened the restaurant as the Black Horse Tavern in January 2016.

In August 2016, the Zoumas partnership leased the restaurant business to a partnership led by Tommy Pavlovic. Pavlovic closed the Black Horse in May 2018.

The Zoumas partnership, which retained ownership as GFD, was initially asking \$795,000 for the restaurant business, the liquor license, and the 15,000-square-foot real estate, which includes four apartments and 14 rooms for rent.

The former Black Horse is still listed on the Sans & Company website for \$695,000, including \$600,000 for the real estate.

### Grove Motors location on East Main will be tire store

By Dan Miller  
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A new Mavis Discount Tire store is coming to the former Grove Motors on East Main Street in Middletown.

Mavis has received a building permit from the borough and is working on obtaining a highway occupancy permit from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, Middletown Zoning & Codes Officer Al Geosits told the Press & Journal in an email.

Construction at the site has begun, and Mavis is looking to open at the beginning of October, Geosits said.

Mavis did not respond to requests from the Press & Journal to discuss the company’s plans.

Mavis has more than 500 service centers in 13 states in the northeast, southeast and southwest United States, according to the company’s website.

In Pennsylvania, the closest Mavis service centers are in Palmyra and Lebanon.

Grove Motors closed in May 2017 after 39 years in business in the 400 block of East Main Street. Before that, the Grove family had run



STAFF PHOTO BY DAN MILLER

Construction has begun toward opening a Mavis Discount Tire service center in the former Grove Motors at 452 E. Main St. in Middletown. The store is expected to open by the beginning of October.

the business as a Chevy dealership since 1947.

The Grove family still owns the car wash across the street.

On Dec. 19, 2018, the former Grove Motors was sold for \$515,000 to Beacon of Clifton Heights LLC of Freehold, New Jersey, which still owns the property, according to Dauphin County property and tax records.

The sale included the acquisition of two separate tax parcels at 452 and 478 E. Main St.

## Ban on long-term RV, motor home parking in works

Middletown official says change would be for safety, not aesthetics

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Recreational vehicles, motor homes and large campers might soon be banned from being parked on Middletown streets.

An ordinance approved for advertisement by Middletown Borough Council on July 2 would

put an end to long-term parking of Class 1, 2 or 3 travel trailers and RVs on borough streets — including but not limited to campers, pop-up campers and motor homes.

The proposal is meant to address safety, not aesthetics, Public Works Director Greg Wilsbach told council on June 18.

For example, the draft ordinance notes concerns over the ability of emergency vehicles to get through some borough streets where “oversized vehicles” are parked.

Under the ordinance, you could only park your travel trailer or RV on a public street for up to 24 hours in any seven-day period — and then only for loading or unloading the vehicle.

Other types of vehicles that would be prohibited from being parked long-term include:

- Any vehicle with three or more axles, including but not limited to single-unit trucks, truck tractors, truck tractors

with semi-trailer combinations and semi-trailers.

- Boats of Class 2 or 3 that are 26 feet or more in length, as classified by the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission, and boats wider than 10 feet.
- Utility trailers that are more than 20 feet in length or more than 10 feet wide.



STAFF PHOTO BY DAN MILLER

A proposed ordinance being advertised by Middletown Borough Council would place limits on how long recreational vehicles like this one on Spruce Street can be parked on public streets in the borough.

If council follows through with banning RVs from being on borough streets all the time, owners of these vehicles cannot just put them in their yard, Wilsbach said.

As a licensed vehicle, an RV must be parked on a driveway or stored, Wilsbach said. The ordinance provides two other

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Wilsbach

## 230 Diner owner says Londonderry officials trying to force him out

By Laura Hayes  
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The wife of the owner of the former 230 Diner told the Press & Journal that Londonderry Township officials have been trying to push her husband to get rid of the property on East Harrisburg Pike for years.

In late May, the township filed five citations against Essam Haggag, of Cleona, for property issues — a vacant structure and land not maintained clean and sanitary; unsanitary conditions; overhangs not properly anchored and incapable of supporting loads; roof defects with inadequate drainage; and the siding and masonry joints between the building, windows and doors not maintained water tight.

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Helen Haggag

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# OURCOMMUNITY

## Hummelstown vet to talk on service in Vietnam War

The Central Pennsylvania Vietnam Round Table will meet at 7:30p.m. Thursday, July 11, at Vietnam Veterans of America, Michael Novosel MOH Chapter 542, 8000 Derry St.

Following a brief business meeting, Dan Dorsheimer, from Hummelstown, will discuss his Vietnam service as an infantryman with the 4th Infantry Division.

He grew up in Hummelstown, graduating from Lower Dauphin High School in 1966. He was drafted in June 1967, ending up in Vietnam in November 1967, serving 366 days with A Company/2nd/35th/3rd Brigade/4th Infantry Division, until November 1968. Following his service, he worked various jobs before retiring from Coca-Cola with 22 years of service.

He was awarded the National Defense Ribbon, Vietnam Campaign and Service Ribbon, Combat Infantryman's Badge and Army Commendation Medal with V-Device.

He has been married to his wife, Fran, for 28 years, and they have one son, Sage, who lives in Williamsburg, Virginia.

He is an active member of the Hummelstown American Legion, and a life member of the Hershey VFW and VVA 542.

Central Pennsylvania Vietnam Round Table meetings are open to the public. Anyone interested in the history of the Vietnam War is invited to attend.

For additional information, contact Richard Burton at 717-545-2336 or by email at centralpavietnamrtrt@verizon.net. The website is www.centralpavietnamroundtable.com.



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## What is your favorite dessert? Don't overdo it!

Hey people! What is your favorite dessert? Do you love ice cream? That seems to be a summer staple!

I find myself daydreaming about ice cream shops to visit. This is not a good idea for me, as I am trying to drop weight. I can still dream, though.

If I were to go to 3Bs ice cream, I would order the Graham Slam flavor. I need to visit the Middletown ice cream shops and try them out ... maybe I should walk there!

Don't forget to email me your news to share. Have a wonderful week!

### More on the Israel trip

Continuing from last week ... talk about walking! If you were to go on an Israel trip with Dr. Jim Ayers, that is exactly what you would be doing, and a lot!

The hills are a bit challenging, and the heat was sometimes in the 90s. I think one day it hit 100. We did not let this deter us as we kept hydrated and kept on schedule.

On Day 1 of the adventure, we rode in our very comfortable air-conditioned motor coach bus to the coast of Sharon and Jezeel Valley. We sat in Caesarea's Roman Theater, still in use to this day.

We stood near the Mediterranean Sea and gazed at what was left of Herod's palace and the ancient harbor created by Herod the Great.

These places were visited by Peter (Acts 10) and Paul (Acts 23-24). I love the fact that Dr. Ayers explained points in the Bible and we could understand where things happened. We could see it. He was amazing in highlighting the scripture to the location.

We sat on Mount Carmel (Elijah confronted the proph-



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These views are from Mount Ariel in the Sea of Galilee region.

ets of Baal, 1 Kings 9:15). We were challenged to remember: Anything that takes our affection from God is idolatry. Who is on the throne of my life? If not Jesus, then am I ready to chase down and eliminate what so easily seduces me from him?

We also visited Megiddo, the most strategic city in the Jezeel Valley and the center of countless conflicts (1 Kings 9:15). We climbed Mount Arbel and had a beautiful view of the Sea of Galilee.

**Next week:** Day 2.

**Birthdays**

**Nancy Witkowski** of Lower Swatara Township will hear the

birthday song on Wednesday, July 10. May it be a beautiful sound to your ears! Happy birthday, Nancy.

Happy beep-honk-beep day to **Matthew Nayner** of Lower Swatara on July 11. Matt turns Sweet 16 on Thursday. Enjoy and be safe!

Big bouquets of summer flowers are sent to **Lynn Shank** of Lower Swatara on Thursday, July 11. Have a wonderful birthday!

Happy special golden happy birthday to **Rashi Patel** as she turns 11 on July 11. I hope your Thursday is super-thrilling!

Happy 22nd confetti-popping day to **Natalie Souders** of Lower

Swatara on Friday, July 12. Have a fantastic weekend celebrating!

**Alexis Cool** of Middletown hits No. 15 on July 12. Many good wishes for fun with friends and family on Friday, Alexis!

**Kyle Landis** of Lower Swatara marks his brand-new 20 birthday on Saturday, July 13. Best wishes for an extra-special day, Kyle!

Sending a very special birthday greeting this fine gentleman, **Carter Ewing** of Middletown on his ninth cake day on Saturday, July 13. May the Lord bless you all the days of your life, Carter!

If you see **Joe Lawruk** of Lower Swatara out and about on July 14, give him a very loud happy birthday shout-out! Joe, have a super-sensational Sunday celebration!

**Katelyn Wagner** of Lower Swatara will celebrate her double toothpick birthday on Sunday, July 14. Keep smiling, Katelyn, and enjoy your day!

Happy landmark big-deal 21st cake day to **Alex D'Entremont** of Lower Swatara on Sunday, July 14. Congrats!

Happy Monday birthday to **Mike McKillip** of Lower Swatara on July 15. Have a marvelous day, Mike!

### Anniversary

Happy 21st romantic holiday to **Rick and Michelle Berrones** of Lower Swatara Township on Thursday, July 11. Congrats!

### Cool Veggie Spread

1/4 c. grated unpeeled cucumber  
1/4 c. unpeeled zucchini  
1/4 c. grated carrot  
1/4 c. finely chopped green pepper  
1 small onion, finely chopped  
1/4 c. finely chopped celery  
1 (8 oz.) pkg. cream cheese,

softened  
1 Tbsp. lemon juice  
1/4 tsp. pepper

Drain vegetables well. Beat cream cheese and lemon juice until smooth. Stir in vegetables and pepper. Spread on rye or pumpernickel bread. Yields: 2 1/2 cups.

Thank you, Victoria Moist of Hummelstown.

### Dean's list

Congrats to **Jennifer L. Abraham** of Hummelstown on being named to the dean's list at DeSales University in Center Valley for the spring 2019 semester.

### Quote of the Week

"Inhale the future, exhale the past." — Anonymous

### Question of the Week

What is your favorite dessert? "Crème brulee and chocolate mousse ... can't decide." — **Jayme Ackerman**, Florida.

"Chocolate stampee cake from Longhorn." — **Ayla Windows**, 8, Susquehanna Township.

"Chocolate. And cookies!" — **Luca Ryan**, 5, West Hanover Township.

"Cookies and ice cream cake from The Meadows." — **Stella Ryan**, 10, West Hanover Township.

"Peanut butter pie." — **Logan Benner**, 12, Royalton.

"Triple chocolate cake." — **Ean Benner**, 16, Royalton.

### Proverb for the Week

A rebuke impresses a man of discernment more than a hundred lashes a fool (17:10).

Reach LaVonne Ackerman at 717-649-7366 or by email at LaVonneAck@comcast.net.

## TOWN TOPICS

### MASD free summer food program is in place

The Middletown Area School District is part of the Summer Food Service Program.

Free lunches are being provided, rain or shine, Monday through Friday, to children ages

18 and younger.

It is not necessary to register. Sites are Middletown Area High School cafeteria, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., through Aug. 2; Fink Elementary School, War Memorial Field concession stand, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., through Aug. 9; and St. Peter's Lutheran Church,

Middletown, 11:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., through Aug. 9.

### Youth Club Bingo scheduled for Thursdays

Youth Club Bingo will be held Thursday nights at the Middletown Volunteer Fire Department, 10 Adelia St.

Doors open at 5 p.m., and bingo starts at 6:45 p.m.

Proceeds benefit the Middletown Youth Club.

### Presentation to discuss Underground Railroad

The Lower Swatara Township Historic Preservation Society is sponsoring a presentation by John Ziats at 6 p.m. Thursday, July 18, at the Lower Swatara Township Firehouse, 1350 Fulling Mill Road.

Ziats will speak on the "Middletown Underground Railroad Stop Recycled."

The presentation and coffee are free.

### PSU offers graduate, undergraduate courses

Penn State Harrisburg, 777 W. Harrisburg Pike, Middletown, is offering a summer session. The session runs through Aug. 7.

Register at 717-948-6250 or email hbgadmit@psu.edu.

### Slavic American Festival will be held July 21

The Slavic American Festival will be held from noon to 9 p.m. Sunday, July 21, at St. Ann Byzantine Catholic Church, 5408 Locust Lane, Harrisburg.

The Divine Liturgy (Mass) will be celebrated at 10 a.m.

There will be an East European gift shop, food, raffles, bingo, and entertainment.

The public is invited. Parking and admission are free.

For more information on the event, call 717-652-1415 or visit stannbyz.org.

### Ornament premiere at Middletown Pharmacy

Middletown Pharmacy and

Gift Shop, 436 E. Main St. (Middletown Plaza), is sponsoring its Ornament Premiere from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, July 13.

Unveiled will be new ornaments.

Premiere items and sales are also available at a second Gold Crown location, 22 E. Main St., Palmyra.

For more information, call 717-944-1640.

### Free seminars at Middletown Home

"Enhance, Style, Sell: Tips for getting your home ready to sell when downsizing" will be held from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Monday, July 15, at the Middletown Home, 999 W. Harrisburg Pike, Middletown.

There will be a free informative session by senior real estate specialist Amy Kieffer, with Twila Glenn at Joy Daniels Real Estate.

Register for the event by calling Andrea Henney at 717-944-3351 or email ahenney@middletownhome.org.

### Library summer reading program event is July 17

The Middletown Public Library, 20 N. Catherine St., is holding its reading program

through Aug. 7.

At 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 17, local amateur astronomer Adam Drake will discuss how large our celestial neighbors are and how far away from us they are.

For more information, visit www.middletownpubliclib.org or call 717-944-6412.

### Plastic milk crates needed at library

The Middletown Public Library is asking for donations of plastic milk crates.

The crates can be dropped off at the library at 20 N. Catherine St.

### Live music on deck at Sunset Bar & Grill

SilverHeel will perform on the deck at Sunset Bar & Grill, 2601 Sunset Drive, at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 11.

### Londonderry Fire will hold Bingo Mania

Londonderry Fire Company, 2655 Foxianna Road, will hold its Bingo Mania on Sunday, July 14.

Doors and kitchen open at noon. Bingo starts at 2 p.m.

For more information call 717-944-2175.

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# Police say they suspect arson in Middletown fire Saturday

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The Middletown Police Department is investigating a fire it suspects to be arson. Police on the department's Crimewatch pages said a residence on Lincoln Street was intentionally set on fire Saturday morning. Officers said they don't know if the fire was an isolated or random

incident. The Middletown Volunteer Fire Department would not release details about the fire, including where on Lincoln Street it occurred. Questions were referred to Middletown police, who did not return a call Monday morning. No residence on Lincoln Street appeared to have significant exterior damage Monday morning.

Residents are encouraged to report any suspicious activity, police said. Any information regarding the suspected arson should be reported to police. The department's non-emergency line is 717-902-0627, and its after hours non-emergency line is 717-558-6900. Tips can also be submitted via the Crimewatch page at www.middletownboroughpolice.com.

# Mexican citizen living in Highspire stole man's identity to work in U.S., police say

By Laura Hayes  
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A Highspire man who is a Mexican citizen faces charges he allegedly stole a man's identity to obtain work in the United States, according to the Pennsylvania State Police. Martin Barrera-Dolores, 34, has been charged with felony identity theft. Barrera-Dolores is a Mexican citizen who was living in the United States without authorization to work, the State Police said in a press release. In June 2004, Miguel Gonzalez, 38, of Winter Haven, Florida,

stole the birth certificate and Social Security card of a man from Puerto Rico, which he used to get an ID in the Puerto Rican man's name, according to the release. The two became friends when they lived in the Harrisburg area, and Gonzalez helped Barrera-Dolores make a fake ID so he could work under the man's name. Barrera-Dolores, who gave the fake ID and stolen Social Security



Barrera-Dolores

card to his employer, was working under the victim's name as of June 27. He has been charged with felony identity theft. Barrera-Dolores is being held on \$75,000 bail; his preliminary hearing is scheduled for July 10 before District Judge Michael J. Smith. Police are searching for Gonzalez, who has been charged with two counts of forgery, two counts of identity theft, three counts of tampering with a public record or information, three counts of unsworn falsification to authorities and one count of possession of instrument of crime.

# Penn State Hershey will take part in 10-year medicinal marijuana study

A Harrisburg-based entity has entered into a 10-year partnership with the Penn State College of Medicine and affiliated Penn State Health Milton S. Hershey Medical Center to do research on medical marijuana. The Penn State College of Medicine and PA Options for Wellness will work together to investigate the potential benefits and risks of using marijuana extracts to treat a variety of health issues, according to a June 21 press release posted by Penn State Health. PA Options for Wellness was founded in 2014 and is a state-approved clinical registrant under the medical marijuana program. State-approved clinical registrants are licensed to grow, process and dispense marijuana for research and medical treatment purposes. Since 2015, PA Options for Wellness has been working in

partnership with Penn State on non-cannabis related research to explore medicinal properties of hemp and flax, PA Options for Wellness said in a press release. This new effort between the company and Penn State will help physicians and patients make better and more informed clinical decisions, PA Options for Wellness said. "PA Options for Wellness is centered on research and education with the goal of becoming a leader in Pennsylvania's emerging medical cannabis industry," PA Options for Wellness CEO Tom Tritte said in the release. "The shared goal of the College of Medicine and PA Options for Wellness is a medical model focused on the patient, research, outcomes, compliance and quality of life." PA Options for Wellness will provide funding to Penn State

over 10 years, a significant portion of which will go to the College of Medicine to study health outcomes-based research and preclinical studies on the potential benefits of cannabinoids and medical marijuana, according to the release. The college will help PA Options for Wellness determine which types of extracts are optimal for various conditions, as well as assist with the design of clinical trials, Penn State Health said. Initially, the research work will focus on pain management and anti-cancer activity. "I think this unique opportunity places the commonwealth of Pennsylvania at the forefront of promoting high-quality research on medical marijuana," Kent Vrana, chairman of the Department of Pharmacology at Penn State College of Medicine, said in the release.

# BAN: Reddinger wonders about effect of RV ban

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exemptions, besides that one that allows an RV to be parked on a public street for loading and unloading only. Trucks can be parked on a public street, as long as the trucks are making a local delivery, or if the truck is being used as a moving van for a property adjacent to the street. The proposal would exempt vehicles used by utility and construction companies that are "lawfully engaged in work on or about the roadway or property adjacent to the roadway." Council approved advertising the ordinance by 6-1 vote, with Councilor Ian Reddinger voting no. "How would this impact our residents?" Reddinger asked before the vote. Borough Manager Ken Klinepeter read provisions included in the proposal, after which Reddinger cast his no vote. Councilor Robert Reid earlier this year brought up concerns about the number of tractor-trailers and other "tow-behind" trailers that he said were being parked on Middletown streets. Reid said he believed that many of these vehicles and trailers are owned by people who do not live in Middletown, but who live in an adjacent or nearby municipality which has banned the parking of such vehicles on their own streets. "Our citizens can't park trail-

ers in Lower Swatara because they have an ordinance, but citizens of Lower Swatara park their trailers in Middletown" because the borough does not have an ordinance addressing it, Reid said during a discussion of the proposed Middletown ordinance on June 18.

Reid asked if it would be possible to "survey" all trailers parked on borough streets, to determine how many are owned by people who do not live in Middletown. Wilsbach said such a survey would have to be done by the police department and would be cumbersome, given the number of trailers. The Lower Swatara ordinance banning certain vehicles from being parked on township streets does not distinguish between whether the vehicle is owned by a resident or non-resident, borough Solicitor LaToya Bellamy noted. The distinction is irrelevant, said Councilor Ellen Willenbecher. "If you don't want it on the street, it doesn't matter where



Reddinger



Reid

they live." An earlier version of the proposal would have allowed some RVs to remain parked on borough streets, such as pop-ups. The definition was broadened at the urging of Council President Angela Lloyd. "I personally would prefer that there are no campers, whether they are pop-ups or whatever class they are," Lloyd said during the June 18 meeting. "I don't think they should be allowed on our streets for more than the 24 hours." Wilsbach during the June 18 meeting mentioned one example of two large RVs that for some time have been parked opposite each other on Spruce Street, near the intersection with Main Street. Klinepeter said the proposal would not prohibit all trailers from parking on borough streets — just those large enough to potentially create a traffic problem or site visibility problem, especially on narrow streets. Reid said he has "no problem" with campers, but objects to trailers "loaded with junk" being parked on borough streets. "I can show you a trailer that has been parked in the same spot for the last 10 years. It never moves," Reid said. But the new ordinance does not appear to address these, unless the trailer is more than 20 feet long or more than 10 feet wide. Wilsbach said the trailers brought up by Reid could possibly be addressed by an existing borough ordinance pertaining to junked vehicles — but only if the trailers are not properly licensed or registered. The proposed ordinance must come back to council for a final vote, perhaps during council's Aug. 7 meeting.

# OBITUARIES



Michael Sabol  
MIDDLETOWN

Michael Paul Sabol, 90, of Middletown, passed away, Tuesday, July 2, 2019. He was born on August 18, 1928 in Coaldale, Pa. to Mr. and Mrs. Michael A. Sabol. Michael grew up in Coaldale and Tamaqua, Pa. He was preceded in death by his wife, Jeanne E. (Leonard) Sabol, three brothers, Lawrence, Raymond, and Leonard Sabol and two sisters, Dorothy Houser and Margaret Ripko. Michael worked for The Old Phoenix Iron and Steel Co. before retiring as an equipment operator for PennDOT.

He also served three years in the Army Air Corps., and also worked as a part-time bartender at The West Shore Country Club for many years. Michael belonged to The Hershey Italian Club, Verhovay Club, Middletown Moose, American Legion and Elks. He loved Notre Dame, the Phillies and the Eagles. He enjoyed Big Time Music and loved to dance with The Metropolitan Dance Club.

Michael leaves behind his two daughters; Cheryl Lynn Smerick and Michelle Paula Sabol; two grandchildren, Edward J. Smerick (his wife Katie), Tisha Kirchner (her husband Beau); three great-grandchildren, Conner, Amber and Zander; a brother Daniel of East Strauburg; and many nieces and nephews. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday, July 12, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church, 280 N. Race St., Middletown, with the Rev. Fr. Ted Keating as celebrant. Viewing will be from 10:00 to 10:45 a.m. at the Matinchek Funeral Home and Cremation Services Inc., 260 E. Main St., Middletown. Condolences may be sent online at www.matinchekfuneralhome.com.



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Theresa Novak  
MIDDLETOWN

Theresa M. Novak, 92, of Middletown, entered into eternal rest on Monday, July 1, 2019 at the Middletown Home. She was born on December 21, 1926 in Harrisburg Pa., and was the daughter of the late William C. Novak and Mary (Konecny) Novak. Theresa was a member of the American Business Women's Association and a member of the Red Hat Society. She is also a member of Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church,

Middletown. In addition to her parents, Theresa was preceded in death by her brother, William Novak and her nephew, Thomas Lagergren. She is survived by her sister, Alberta Lagergren of Pensacola, Fla. and several nieces, nephews and cousins. Mass of Christian Burial was held on Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church, with the Rev. Fr. Ted Keating as celebrant. Viewing was from 10:00 a.m. until the time of mass, in the narthex of the church. Burial was in Holy Cross Cemetery, Harrisburg. The family has entrusted the care of the Matinchek Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc., 260 E. Main St., Middletown to handle the funeral arrangements. Condolences may be sent online at www.matinchekfuneralhome.com.



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Gasoline prices go down

Harrisburg gas prices fell 2.5 cents per gallon last week, averaging \$2.83 Sunday, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 241 stations.

Prices in Harrisburg are 3.2 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and 4.8 cents per gallon lower than a year ago.

The cheapest station in Harrisburg was at \$2.69, while the most expensive was \$2.91.

The national average price of gasoline has risen 2.3 cents per gallon last week, averaging \$2.75.

Gasoline prices on July 8 in Harrisburg have varied in recent years: \$2.88 in 2018; \$2.31 in 2017; \$2.29 in 2016; \$2.79 in 2015; and \$3.69 in 2014.

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**Lancaster:** \$2.85, down 1.7 cents per gallon.

**Reading:** \$2.85, unchanged from last week.

**York:** \$2.78, down 4.3 cents.

"Look for another week of gradual increases in gasoline prices, but without another round of clearly defined upside in oil prices, we may see this current upward trend begin to slowly fade away," said Patrick DeHaan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy.

LOWER SWATARA POLICE ROUNDUP

Police: Family filed false report over wallet theft

Hertz employee faces charges for stealing rental car; laundry reported stolen; TV, laptops taken

A Lower Swatara Township woman and her son face charges after they allegedly falsely told police that the son's wallet was stolen and his information used to open two cellphone accounts, according to the affidavit filed with District Judge Michael J. Smith.

Both Jayon Terrell Brown-Page, 19, and Krista C. Farah, 40, have been charged with making a false report to law enforcement and unsworn falsification to authorities.

On Feb. 15, Farah and Brown-Page told police that his wallet — containing identification cards, a credit card and \$30 cash — was stolen while he was at the Regal Great Escape movie theater on Paxton Street. The thief tried to open two phone accounts with Verizon and AT&T, and they received an outstanding bill of \$2,100 from Verizon, according to the affidavit.

On June 4, a Verizon employee told police that the account was opened in person at Target in High Pointe Commons.

Brown-Page told police that a friend and a friend's family wanted him to buy the phones and set up a Verizon account in exchange for gift cards.

He told police his wallet was never stolen. A friend told him to report his wallet stolen so he wouldn't be responsible for the charges, according to the affidavit.

Their preliminary hearings are scheduled for Aug. 5.

Television, laptops stolen from day care

A television and two laptops were reported stolen from Growing Adventures Child Care on Oberlin Road at 11:21 a.m. July 1.

Police believe the theft took place between June 28 and July 1. Police estimated the stolen television and laptops have a value of about \$1,500.

The incident is under investigation.

Employee charged for taking rental car

A Lower Paxton Township man who worked for Hertz at Harrisburg International Airport has been charged after he allegedly stole a vehicle that was later involved in a hit-and-run at the Hollywood Casino in Grantville on June 23, according to an affidavit filed with District Judge Michael J. Smith.

Police identified the driver as Fred Hammond Jr., 57, through his player card at the casino and video surveillance. A Hertz employee told police that he was an employee as of May 31.

The Hertz employee told an HIA police officer that there wasn't a rental agreement for the car. According to the affidavit, Hammond doesn't have authority or permission to drive the vehicle when he's not working.

Hammond was charged with theft and receiving stolen property. His bail was set at \$50,000. His preliminary hearing has been scheduled for July 10.

Hershey man charged with DUI

A Hershey man has been charged with DUI following a traffic stop by Pennsylvania State Police on Route 283 in Lower Swatara Township.

According to the affidavit filed with District Judge Michael J. Smith, troopers saw Todd Robert Warden, 27, swerve between lanes and drive 81 mph in a 55-mph zone at 10:10 a.m. June 10.

When the trooper spoke with Warden, he reportedly smelled marijuana. Warden told the trooper he smoked marijuana the night before and had also used cocaine and was on medication.

A blood sample was taken at the booking center; the results were not reported.

In addition to DUI, Warden was charged with disregarding the traffic lane, not using his turning signal, speeding, careless driving, failing to carry his registration, driving while operating privileges are suspended or revoked, and texting while driving.

His preliminary hearing is scheduled for July 24.

Man hit while driving moped

A township man was cited after he was struck by a vehicle while driving a moped in the 1300 block of South Eisenhower Boulevard at 7:53 a.m. June 27.

Police said a 26-year-old Bainbridge man was driving north on South Eisenhower Boulevard when he struck Santos Rivera, 52, who was driving a moped north in the southbound shoulder of the road, while the Bainbridge man was trying to turn.

Police said Rivera had a cut to the head and was taken to a hospital.

Rivera was cited with driving while operating privileges are suspended or revoked and passing left unsafely.

Driving charges vs. Middletown man

A Middletown man faces DUI charges following a traffic stop on Oberlin Road and Spring Garden Drive at 8:20 p.m. June 28, according to an affidavit filed with District Judge Michael J. Smith.

Police pulled over Russell Scott Fickes, 48, for having an expired inspection and emission stickers.

Police reportedly smelled alcohol, and a preliminary breath test indicated that his blood-alcohol content was 0.175 percent.

He was transported to the booking center and a sample of his blood was taken; the results were not reported.

Fickes has also been charged with driving while operating privileges are suspended or revoked, operating a vehicle without official certificate of inspection and prohibitions on expenditures for emission inspection program.

His preliminary hearing is Aug. 7.

Middletown man charged with DUI

A Middletown man has been charged with DUI following a traffic stop in the 900 block of West Harrisburg Pike at 5:38 a.m. July 1, according to the affidavit filed with District Judge Michael J. Smith.

According to the affidavit, Robert Ramirez Mejia, 55, was driving 61 mph in a 45-mph zone.

Police reportedly smelled alcohol coming from him, and a portable breath tester tested positive for the presence of alcohol. A sample of his blood was taken at the booking center; the results were not reported.

Besides DUI, Mejia was cited with speeding and failing to use a safety belt. His preliminary hearing is scheduled for Aug. 5.

Laundry stolen

A Middletown resident reported at 11:10 p.m. July 1 that their laundry was stolen from Laundry Express on West Harrisburg Pike.

The resident told police they dropped off their laundry, which was valued at \$200, and it was missing when they returned.

The incident is under investigation.

Harassment charges vs. woman

A Middletown woman has been charged with harassment after she allegedly threatened to beat a woman up.

According to the affidavit filed with District Judge Michael J. Smith, Jamie Lynn Chastain, 33, and the woman had a dispute over returning the woman's birth certificate.

The woman reportedly told police July 1 that the certificate had been returned, but Chastain threatened her over the phone, saying she would beat her up.

Chastain's preliminary hearing is scheduled for Aug. 7.

Truck hits mailbox

Police are searching for the driver of a 2004 Dodge Ram truck that hit a mailbox in the 500 block of Stoner Drive.

The hit-and-run was reported at 9:57 a.m. June 27.

Police said the truck's side mirror was knocked off. Damage is estimated at \$150.

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# Tattered Flag pays back \$1.5 million borough loan

## Refinancing by brewery ends deal more than 20 years early

By Dan Miller  
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Tattered Flag Brewery & Still Works has repaid the \$1.5 million loan the company received from Middletown in 2015 toward opening in the former Elks Building. The borough had loaned the money to Tattered Flag through the Industrial and Commercial

Development Authority, which owned the Elks Building at West Emaus and South Union streets. The financing package included a \$1.1 million loan that Tattered Flag put toward renovating the building and converting it into the brewery and still works. The remaining \$400,000 went toward Tattered Flag purchasing the building from the ICDA.

Tattered Flag owns and occupies the entire former Elks Building, except for the Elks Theatre, which is still owned by the ICDA, which is trying to sell it. The \$1.1 million loan was to be repaid by Tattered Flag to the borough at 4 percent interest over 25 years. Tattered Flag had been making its scheduled payments on the loan on time each month to the borough, borough Manager Ken Klinepeter told the Press & Journal. The \$1.4 million obtained through the refinancing by Tat-

tered Flag is the payoff amount that was needed to settle the loan, Klinepeter said. Klinepeter acknowledged that Tattered Flag paying off the loan early means the borough will not make as much money from interest payments as it would have had Tattered Flag taken the entire 25 years. Tattered Flag had the right in the contract to pay off the loan early without penalty, Klinepeter said. The borough didn't lose any money, as the borough recouped all of the funds that the ICDA had loaned to Tattered Flag, he added.

The borough would have received about \$59,000 a year in interest had Tattered Flag continued financing the loan over the 25 years, borough Finance Director Kevin Zartman told the Press & Journal. However, the borough expects to earn about \$44,000 a year in interest from placing the entire payoff amount in an interest-bearing account, Zartman said, "so the borough is still earning a return on the money and has the funds available should they be needed at any time." Council has not yet decided what

to do with the money. "I expect they may discuss moving the proceeds or a portion thereof into a capital reserve fund or similar fund for future use," Klinepeter said. Pat Devlin, one of the Tattered Flag ownership partners, said Tattered Flag repaying the money to the borough is a sign of the success the business is having. Tattered Flag just celebrated its third anniversary. "We're expanding and growing," Devlin said, adding that Tattered Flag is already outgrowing its space.

## Charges: Man had marijuana, meth

By Dan Miller  
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Middletown police arrested three people on drug charges following a traffic stop for an expired registration in the area of Adelia and East Emaus streets just before 2 a.m. July 2. Police determined that the driver of the dark blue 2007 Honda Accord sedan, Tyler David Odell, 22, homeless, was under the influence of a narcotic, police said in arrest papers filed with District Judge David Judy. A probable cause search of the vehicle yielded about 167 grams of marijuana and 37 grams of crystal methamphetamine in clear plastic bags, police said. Police also found \$440, a digital scale, and numerous other items of drug paraphernalia including hypodermic needles, straws, blunt wrappers, a push rod, a glass stem with crystal sub-

stance inside, cotton swabs, and vape cartridges, police said. Odell was arraigned before Judy on July 2 and charged with manufacture, delivery, or possession with intent to manufacture or deliver a controlled substance, DUI of a controlled substance, use/possession of drug paraphernalia, and driving an unregistered vehicle. Odell's cash bail was set at \$75,000. Julie Renee Bell, 24, of the 1300 block of East King Street in Lancaster, a passenger in the car, was charged with manufacture, delivery, or possession with intent to manufacture or deliver a controlled substance, and use/



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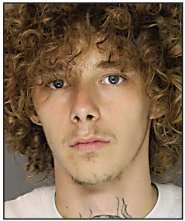
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possession of drug paraphernalia. Her bail was set at \$10,000 unsecured. Another passenger in the car, 30-year-old Justin Robert Witmer of the 800 block of Campus Road in Elizabethtown, was also charged with manufacture, delivery, or possession with intent to manufacture or deliver a controlled substance, and use/possession of drug paraphernalia. His bail was set at \$10,000 unsecured. All three defendants were scheduled for a July 8 preliminary hearing before Judy.

## Traffic stop finds convicted felon with stolen gun, police report

By Dan Miller  
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A traffic stop for a faulty registration light led to Middletown police arresting a convicted felon who had a stolen gun in the car Sunday. Gavin Xander Garcia, 21, of the 7000 block of River Road in Conestoga, whom police said had previous convictions for robbery, aggravated assault and other charges, now faces multiple new charges and is being held on \$100,000 bail, according to online court records. Garcia was a passenger in a silver 2014 Chrysler 200 heading



Garcia

westbound in the 200 block of East Main Street when police pulled the car over shortly after 1:45 a.m. Sunday, Middletown police said in arrest papers filed with District Judge David Judy. Garcia, in the rear seat, was one of five people in the car. They all told police they were coming from a party in Lancaster. Police searched the car after detecting an odor of marijuana coming from inside, and seeing an open bottle of alcohol after the rear passenger side door was opened. Police located a Smith & Wesson M&P Shield .45 caliber firearm under Garcia's seat. Police determined the gun had been stolen out of Lancaster County. Garcia confirmed that the gun was his, police said. Also found was a marijuana blunt in a white purse that Garcia

said was his, as well as a bottle of peach brandy and a bottle of apple brandy, police said. Garcia initially identified himself to police as "Jason Hunter," police said. Garcia was arraigned before District Judge Barbara W. Pianka on Sunday and charged with prohibited possession of a firearm, firearms not to be carried without a license, receiving stolen property, false identification to law enforcement, possession of marijuana, and summary restrictions on alcoholic beverages. He is scheduled for a July 15 preliminary hearing before Judy. Police also charged the driver of the car, 19-year-old Vanessa Jane Aston of Middletown, with a summary citation of purchasing alcoholic beverages by a minor, according to online court records.

## Child luring case in Lower Swatara

By Laura Hayes  
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Two men in a white pickup truck tried to lure a child to go with them Monday, according to Lower Swatara Township police. Police said the men drove past a child in the area of the Brookside Trailer Park in the 1200 block of Eisenhower Boulevard and asked that the child come with them. It was reported around 7 p.m. Monday.

Both men were described as being 20 to 30 years old. The driver was described as a skinny white man wearing a white T-shirt, with brown hair that was pushed up in the front and spiked, and no facial hair. The passenger was described as a skinny black man wearing a dark-colored shirt and a dark-colored beanie. The white, mid-sized, two-door truck was described as having a black bed liner, no back cap, dull

silver or gray tire rims and dried dirt around the wheel wells and lower body of the truck. A witness told police that they couldn't see anything in the bed of the truck. Police said the truck was "not brand new in appearance, but also not beat up and old looking either." Anyone with information is urged to call township police at 717-939-0463 or 717-558-6900 after hours.



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## Sites still mum on possible council run

By Dan Miller  
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Dauphin County is still waiting to hear from Scott Sites on whether Sites will accept a position on the fall ballot in the race for Middletown Borough Council. Sites, who served two terms on council before deciding not to run again in 2015, had received 26 write-in votes from Republican voters in the May 21 primary. That earned him a spot on the ballot if he wants it, but as of Monday, county Elections & Voter Registration Director Jerry Feaser said he still had not heard from Sites. Sites in a Monday email to the Press & Journal did not say what his intentions are. According to state election law, people who receive enough write-in votes in the primary have until July 15 to respond to the county as to their intentions, Feaser said. That deadline is based on when the county gives final approval to primary election results. This year that approval occurred June 5.

By July 15, write-in candidates must do two things, Feaser said. One is to indicate on a form sent by the county whether they will be on the fall ballot. The other is to file a financial statement of interest, which the candidate files with both the municipality and with the county, Feaser said.

If the county receives no response from Sites by July 15, then he will not be on the fall ballot, Feaser said. The ballot position will remain unfilled. Four seats are up on the seven-member borough council this year. Four Democrats advanced in the primary to be on the fall ballot — incumbent Council President Angela Lloyd, Council Vice President Mike Woodworth, Councilor Ellen Willenbecher, and newcomer Phyllis Dew.



Sites

Two Republicans who were on the primary ballot advanced to the fall election, being Richard Kluskiewicz and former Councilor David Rhen. Willenbecher, who received the most votes from Democrats in the primary, also received enough write-in votes from Republicans to also be listed on the fall ballot as a Republican. Willenbecher has told the Press & Journal she will accept also being on the Republican ballot. Lloyd and Woodworth also received write-in votes from Republicans in the primary — 18 and 15, respectively. But under state election law only Willenbecher and Sites qualify to fill the two available slots on the GOP ballot, by virtue of having received the highest number of write-in votes from Republican voters in the primary. Willenbecher received 19 write-in votes from Republicans. At least one new face is guaranteed on council come January, as Councilor Robert Reid is not seeking re-election.

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## Gov. Wolf praises Phoenix Contact

Gov. Tom Wolf, right, speaks with employees of Phoenix Contact in Lower Swatara Township during a tour Wolf took of the plant Tuesday morning to promote the state's PAsmart initiative to expand apprenticeships and other job training opportunities. "This is the future of our economy," Wolf said of Phoenix Contact following his tour of the high-tech plant. He touted Phoenix Contact's apprenticeship program as an example of workers being paid to learn while they learn instead of being saddled with student debt. "What you've shown is that this stuff actually works," Wolf said of Phoenix Contact, which makes automation and control products for many types of factories. From left are Jeremy Duncan; Phoenix Contact Vice President of Operations Doug Ferguson; Jack Nehlig, president of Phoenix Contact USA; and Wolf.

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## DINER: Owner says when work started, they were told to stop

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tently assuring themselves that we have no chance of returning," wrote Helen Haggag in a letter to the editor.

The township is requesting \$5,000 in fines plus costs. Essam is expected to go before District Judge David H. Judy for a summary trial on Aug. 7.

Helen Haggag declined to answer any additional questions.

"We do, however, apologize to the townspeople for losing out on what could have been a place of business that would have been an asset to the community in so many ways. Instead, it has become nothing more than a blight that frankly has put our family through hell," she said in the letter to the Press & Journal.

Township staff did not respond to a request for comment.

Haggag said her husband has owned the property since 1999. Records filed with Dauphin County indicate that the deed was transferred to him for \$70,000 in 2004 from Snodo Inc., which acquired

the deed in 1999 from PNC Bank.

Haggag said her husband restored the property in 2000 and the township has been trying to rid him of it since.

"We as a family had all good intentions of creating a business that would employ many townspeople and provide the community with a diner they could be proud of as well as earn an income to support his family like any hardworking immigrant looking to fulfill his dreams in America as well as his desire to contribute where he was able," she said.

A fire gutted the diner in 2003, but Haggag said it was renovated and opened three times since then. Press & Journal articles reported that repairs were being made inside and outside the former restaurant in 2007.

In 2009, there were plans to lease the building to a Lancaster man who wanted to open it as Don's Diner.

Haggag said that after a flood in 2011, "We were entangled in a drawn-out court battle to recoup

finances on an insurance policy. Ever since, we were consistently denied a permit to do business of any kind for every reason under the sun."

She said township codes and zoning officer Jeff Burkhart was right when he said they may have gone bankrupt, and they were paying back a Chapter 13 bankruptcy plan, "as a result of the realization that we would never be permitted to utilize the property in any way at all."

Over the past several months, township staff and supervisors have expressed concern over the state of the property, including people using it as dumping site.

In November, Supervisor Ron Kopp said he saw cars parked behind the building when he worked in nearby fields.

During the July 1 meeting, Burkhart told the supervisors that the summary trial was delayed from July 17 to August, which Supervisor Bart Shellenhamer said may have been because Essam Haggag started to clean up the property.

"Well, he did start to clean it up.

He basically, from what I can tell, started to rearrange it. I think all the stuff you can see is now behind the building," Burkhart said.

Essam Haggag was cited in 2014 for the structure needing repair, structural members and defacement of the property, but the charges were later withdrawn. However, he did plead guilty to unlawful activity after the Dauphin County Department of Solid Waste Management and Recycling cited him as part of the county's crackdown on illegal dumping.

Haggag said when they attempted to correct the violations, stop-work notices would be put on the door.

Haggag said the reason the property has been vacant since 2014 is because Burkhart told them that if they obtained a property appraisal, "he would be willing to apply for a block grant to buy out the property."

"We are still waiting until this day to receive any consistent reason or outcome of his proposal," Haggag said.

# TMI closure to be discussed in webinar, July 23 event

By Dan Miller  
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A webinar and a public meeting have been set by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to provide information regarding the decommissioning of Three Mile Island Unit 1, which is to be prematurely shut down by Exelon by Sept. 30.

The public webinar, which requires advance online registration, will begin at 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 16.

The webinar will provide key facts about the decommissioning process and how the NRC regulates such activities through on-site inspections and other reviews, the NRC said in a Monday press release.

Participants in the public webinar will be able to view slides prepared by NRC staff, and will be able to ask questions in writing via a web page set up to host the session.

Online registration is required to take part in the webinar. To register, go to <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5512273302890642690>.

The NRC also will hold a public meeting in Hershey on July 23 to discuss and accept comments on Exelon's Post-Shutdown Decommissioning Activities Report for Three Mile Island Unit 1.

The meeting will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Sheraton Harrisburg Hershey Hotel at 4650 Lindle Road. No advance registration is needed, NRC spokesman Neil

Sheehan told the Press & Journal.

The post-shutdown report calls for placing Unit 1 into long-term storage before dismantlement and decontamination work takes place. A copy of the report can be found on the NRC website.

Full-time employees at Unit 1 would be reduced from the current 675 to 300 shortly after Sept. 30, following used fuel being moved to the spent fuel pool, according to the decommissioning report Exelon has filed with the NRC.

Full-time staffing would bedown to 200 by 2021 and down to about 50 in 2022, according to the report.

The decommissioning plan calls for moving fuel to dry cask storage in 2022, where Exelon said it would be "protected in a hardened facility with multiple layers of structural, human and electronic security." However, it would not be until 2074 that large components such as the cooling towers are dismantled, Exelon said.

This is to allow "additional time for normal radioactive decay," resulting in "less waste and lower radiation exposure" and a "safer environment" for the workforce that will handle the decommissioning at that time, Exelon said.

The year 2074 is 100 years after the plant first opened.

The adjacent TMI Unit 2 did not return to service after the March 1979 accident. Unit 2 has a different owner and a Post-Shutdown Decommissioning Activities Report for Unit 2 was submitted to the NRC in June 2013.

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# Legion baseball team finishes 8-10 on season

By Larry Etter  
Press & Journal Staff

During the final week of the regular season, Middletown's American Legion baseball team hosted a pair of doubleheaders. On Monday, July 1, Post 594 played host to Harrisburg, and on Wednesday, July 3, the Middletown team played Dauphin in a combination of regularly scheduled and makeup games as the teams finished up their schedules. Middletown finished at 8-10 for the season. Middletown lost its opener to Harrisburg 2-1, but finished the second one with a 13-9 victory. Post 594 posted a 4-0 shutout victory over Dauphin but dropped the nightcap by a 4-2 score to end the season. The contests were played at Lower Swatara Township's field in Little Hollywood because of the lights there as the second games each day went on well past sundown.

rough start and ended up with seven strikeouts and no hits after giving up a leadoff single to start the game. The problem was, the Middletown offense could not get going. Cam Peters got the first hit for Post 594 in the home half of the second inning, but was left stranded. A pair of singles by Justin Yohn and Michael Tuffy to start the bottom of the third inning led to Post 594's lone run of the game, an RBI single by Miller. In the fourth frame, Marcus Mancini's infield hit with two outs went unrewarded. And in the fifth inning a serious threat following a two-out double down the left field line by Yohn ended with a game-ending strikeout by Rogers that secured the win for Harrisburg, **Middletown 13, Harrisburg 9**. The coaches elected to play a full seven-inning game in the second part of the double header, and Harrisburg did its best to try to rally from a 13-6 deficit in the final two innings. With Middletown scoring two runs in each of the first two stan-zas and plating three more in the top of the fourth for a 7-3 lead after Harrisburg collected three runs in the bottom, it appeared as if Post 594 was on its way to a comfortable win. But Harrisburg would not quit. A three-run fourth kept it close at 7-6 and, even after Middletown went up 13-6 in the top of the fifth, Harrisburg kept fighting. Three more runs in the bottom of the sixth by Harrisburg kept the outcome in doubt. And, after Middletown batters were sat down in order in the top of the seventh, Harrisburg threatened by loading

the bases with two outs in the home half to make a tense game even more so. But Matt Schopf struck out Video Tucker looking to end the threat and the game. In the first inning, David Alcock and Justin Yohn walked ahead of a single by Scott Ash that loaded the bases against Tucker. With no outs, Cam Peters stroked a clean single up the middle to knock in Alcock and Yohn for the 2-0 lead. Tucker got out of the inning via a double play and a pop-out. Peters sat down Harrisburg in order in the bottom of the first and Post 594 plated two more runs in the top of the second to take a 4-0 lead. Collin Heffner led off with a base on balls, Alec Merry singled to left with one out and Caden Sweeney also drew a walk to load the bases. With two outs, Yohn doubled in the two runs to pad the Middletown lead. In the bottom of the second, Peters struck out Brandon Hill with two runners on base to preserve the shutout. Middletown threatened to add to its lead in the top of the third, but Tucker got out of trouble. Harrisburg scored three runs in the bottom of the third, keyed by two hits, a balk and a pair of walks, to pull within a run, 4-3. But the Middletown squad responded to the challenge by scoring three more runs in the top of the fourth. With one out, Sweeney and Alcock drew back-to-back walks and then raced home on Yohn's 2-run triple. Yohn was out at home trying to score on Scott Ash's single, but Peters knocked in Ash who had gone to third on a passed ball. The runs gave Middletown a 7-3 lead.

But Harrisburg again rallied in the bottom of the frame, using three hits and an error to collect three runs of their own. The runs again cut the difference to just one, 7-6. A six-run outburst by the Post 594 offense, however, again gave Middletown some breathing room. With new pitcher Stevie Graves on the hill, both Schopf and Collin Heffner were hit by pitches and Brady Keyser singled to load the bases. A walk to Merry and a single by Tuffy drove in two runs. With two outs, Ash drew a base on balls to force in Merry for the third run. Three more runs came home when the center fielder lost Peters' high fly ball in the lights. The 13-6 lead held up through the middle of the sixth but was broken when Harrisburg collected another trio of runs in the bottom of the inning. Two runs scored on a double by Tucker and another came on a balk. Middletown went down in order in the top of the seventh and Harrisburg tried to rally again in the home half. But after Harrisburg loaded the bases with two outs, Schopf struck out Tucker on a called third strike to end it and ice the win. **Middletown 4, Dauphin 0**. Scott Ash threw a one-hitter, yielding a single in the bottom of the last inning, and the Middletown offense scored single runs in the first and second innings, plus two in the fourth, in posting the 4-0 win in the first game of the doubleheader Wednesday against Dauphin. Yohn's two-out single in the first

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**Harrisburg 2, Middletown 1** Harrisburg scored both of its runs in the top of the first inning, which turned out to be just enough to post the win. Middletown scored its lone run in the bottom of the third, but could get no more as the hits never came against pitcher Makai Rogers in the five-inning game. Middletown recorded just four hits against Rogers. In the top of the first inning, Harrisburg took advantage of one hit and four walks issued by starter Garrett Miller. Both runs came via bases-loaded walks as Miller struggled with his control. Miller settled in after that

## Standout season for MABA Navy Blue team



The Middletown Amateur Baseball Association Navy Blue minors baseball team, made up of 9-, 10- and 11-year-olds, recently made it to the championship game of the Central Pennsylvania Midget Baseball League and finished as the league runner-up. There are 17 teams in the league. Players on the team are No. 2 Ben Nordai, No. 3 Connor Murphy, No. 4 Michael Swartz, No. 5 Conner Cleland, No. 7 Wyatt Rosati, No. 11 Mario Palermo, No. 14 Lucas Kern, No. 22 Owen Hipple, No. 23 Eli Webb, No. 86 Reece Young, No. 88 CJ Hain, No. 97 Cameron Wertz, and No. 99 Thomas Burger. The head coach is Ben Nordai with assistant coaches Todd Webb, Travis Kern and Mario Palermo. Right, they were treated to a triumphant ride on a Middletown firetruck.

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## Time for MAHS athletes to get physical evaluation

Prior to students participating in any Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association sport in the Middletown Area School District, students are required to complete a PIAA Comprehensive Initial Pre-Participation Physical Evaluation, or CIPPE, according to the district. Any students considering playing a sport for the 2019-2020 school year should attend an MASD free CIPPE exam. Students not attending the free exam will be responsible for seeing their family physician to have the exam completed. Appointments for the exams begin at 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 30, in the MAHS gym. The district requests that students register online at [www.ptcfast.com/reg1](http://www.ptcfast.com/reg1) to minimize wait time. When asked for an entry code, enter L3M1270651. Appointment times can be chosen up until the day before each physical date. CIPPE form sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 must be filled out and signed by the parent or guardian before the doctor will examine the student and fill out section 6. No student will be allowed to participate in athletics during the PIAA season without the entire six-page CIPPE packet completed. In accordance with PIAA rules, physicals cannot be dated earlier than June 1 and will be effective for the entire school year, until May 31, 2020. Sections 7 and 8 are for subsequent sports in the same school year. Any athlete having a CIPPE exam more than six weeks prior to the start of their sports season must complete Section 7 on the form, regardless of whether they played a sport in the previous season. In accordance with the PIAA,

the medical staff at MASD will require any athletes with a significant change in their medical history since their initial exam to have their physician complete the CIPPE Section 8 recertification form. The CIPPE form is available in the middle school and high school offices or can be found by reading this story at [www.pressandjournal.com](http://www.pressandjournal.com). Students should bring the completed packet with them to their sports physical appointment. Contact athletic trainer Suzanne Bologna at [sbologa@raiderweb.org](mailto:sbologa@raiderweb.org) with questions.

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## Lower Dauphin graduates receive \$2,000 scholarships from Rotary Club

The Rotary Club of Hummelstown recently presented five graduating Lower Dauphin High School students with \$2,000 scholarships. Rotary Club member Jean Seibert, left, presents the scholarships on behalf of the club to graduating seniors Madison Shradley, Josiah Helmer, Carli Little, Vanessa Skidmore and Sophia Yocum. The scholarships, named in honor of Herbert A. Schaffner, are given to seniors who demonstrate good character and academic excellence. The scholarship fund is maintained with proceeds from the club's annual golf outing. Now in its 27th year, the golf tournament has provided funding for more than \$240,000 in scholarships to Lower Dauphin students.

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## Honor rolls released for Lower Dauphin High School

Lower Dauphin High School recently announced its distinguished honor roll and honor roll for the fourth period. Distinguished Honor Roll requires all “A’s” or perfect marks. For the Honor Roll, a student must earn all “A’s” and “B’s.”

### Distinguished Honor Roll

**Grade 12:** Sarah Amodei, Kelly Barr, Riley Barrett, Miles Book, Jared Byers, Avery Cassel, Annie Dickinson, Audrey Domovich, Olivia Dreon, Jeanine Ebling, Kailey Eldridge, Hailey Foreman, Sara Hagen, Lauren Hatalowich, Josiah Helmer, Emma Hirons, Caitlin Holland, Tanner Kennedy, Sydney Koons, Alexandra Little, Brendon Little, Daniel Mannetta, Collin McCanna, Grace McCloskey, Catherine McDonough, Cassandra McIntire, Quinn McMonagle, Ethan Miller, Luke Miller, Lauren Natkin, Melanie O’Holleran, Nicole Ordille, Angela Orwan, Jiratchaya Phinyoworakul, Gillian Price, Erica Ruhl, Shea Sarsfield, Jamison Schaefer, Jacob Snyder, and Jenna Waughen.

**Grade 11:** Sophia Balshy, Madison Baumgardner, Lillian Carney, Elijah Durantine, Nicholas Giampetro, Claudio Hernandez, Bryce Hickey, Ryan Hsing-Smith, Donovan Kann, Meghan Lehw, Daniel Little, Matthew Little, Amy Miller, Morgan Mosco, Emma O’Neill, Tanav Patel, Eva Pumo, Gracie Scheaffer, Nidhi Singh, Shenandoah Stull, Abigail Tarczyński, Janel Thompson, Clayton Ulrey, Carson Wendling, and Ethan Westerberg.

**Grade 10:** Nischal Adhikari, Nicole Baker, Jackson Bruce, Alexandra Cassel, Alvin Coulbourn, Caiden Covell, Kiara Cressinger, Katherine Foley, Bella Fry, Anthony Hannan, Nathan Helmer, Timothy Koons, Marguerite Kutz, Abby Lauer, Kate Little, Joshua Mackrell, Steven Mannetta, Annabel Mauger, Cole McCulley, Tristan McQuiddy, Matthew Michalowski, Kayla Pedersen, Melina Putt, Miran Rezhan, Alaina Riley, Janie Rost, Morgan Roth, Kilee Sims, James Taylor, Mason Wahlers, Catherine Walter, Grace Walter, Alexis Weaver, Katherine Weigle, Luke Wren, and Brody York.

**Grade 9:** Mohamed Abdesameud, Natalie Allman-Sheibley, Paige Berzinski, Paige Bitting, Clara Breidenstine, Emma Dickinson, Brianna Espensshade, Ethan Espensshade, Katherine Estes, Adam Fellin, Hannah Fischer, Hudson Giampetro, Conor Grubb, Sarah Hanula, Alicia Jones, Maxwell Klingensmith, Sydnee Lynch, Hudson Millar, Lilian Nop, Carolynn O’Donnell, Nina Pace, Gabriella Pagano, Benjamin Rodemaker, Alexa Shaffer, Leah Tierney, and Sofia Walsh.

### Honor Roll

**Grade 12:** Katie Arnold, Jarek Bacon, Lauren Beacham, Nicholas Bennett, Sadie Berndt, Sophia

Bertovic, Joshua Blessing, Summer Blouch, William Bowen, Robert Bray, Ashton Brojakowski, Megan Brubaker, Andrew Burkhardt, Arianna Colon, Kylie Costik, Alexander Cruz, Caitlin Cummings, Morgan Cummings, Lexie Dalton, Mark Davis, Grace Day, Anthony Dumais, Christopher Durgey, Jacquelyn Endy, Elyse Erdman, Joseph Fausnight, Amya Fisher, Alexandria Frantz, Conrad Gaither, Nicolas Gaspich, Madison Gaughan, Ryan Gerst, Sarah Gingrich, Kolbi Groff, Jeffrey Gross, Baylee Hall, Luke Hedrick, Stacia Hoke, Rachel Kerstetter, Avery Krot, Ryan Kutz, Kaylee Laychock, Michael LeBlanc, Owen Lehman, McKenna Lennox, Mayson Light, Brody McCulley, Meghan McGurrin, Nicholas Messner, Logan Miller, Katelyn Nalesnik, Benjamin Neithercoat, Samantha Pence, Kobe Petrovich, Alexis Portser, James Ramsey, Sabrina Richmond, Madison Rissingier, William Ritchie, Ashley Rodriguez, August Schumacher, Ava Sebastian, Brenna Seitz, Vanessa Skidmore, Evan Stillwell, Reagan Stoner, Bryanna Straw, Madison Swartzlander, Brian Swift, Colton Taleff, Hayden Tierney, Ian Tonkin, Allison Townsend, Hayley Vandenbergh, Anai Walters, Faith Wealand, Maxfield Wootten, Kimberlee Workman-Bretz, and Kyler Wuestner.

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## MAHS grad Matincheck wins honor

The Capital Area Intermediate Unit Transition Council hosted the 21st annual Tom Buskey Awards at Harmony Hall Estate on May 16.

The Buskey Awards are given to select special education students for their “hard work and dedication in overcoming personal challenges, leading towards successful transition to life after high school.”

One recipient was Sarah Matincheck, Middletown Area High School Class of 2019. She is the daughter of Scott and Lynn Matincheck, and was invited to speak at the ceremony.

She surprised her parents and teachers when she chose not to read her submitted essay. Instead, she delivered the following unscripted speech:

“Hello, everyone. I’m Sarah Matincheck, as you all know. And I want to dedicate this to someone. It may sound weird, but it will make sense as I go on though. Raise your hand if you’ve heard of Robin Williams. Keep your hand raised if you knew he was autistic. He was on the same spectrum as I am but he went through it differently. He embraced it.

“In a favorite movie from my parents’ first date, ‘Dead Poet’s Society,’ he taught in a different way. He taught in a different way, didn’t go by everyone else. He was unique, inspiring, creative, thought outside of the box for his character, which is why I like him and honor him.

“It’s a shame he passed away from suicide in 2017. And that’s why I wanted to take the time to honor him because he was a role model in a way. For his characters he portrayed, he was thinking outside the box, creative, unique. And he was also a hell of an actor.

“He helped me see that my disability did not mean I’d have an inability. I can embrace things differently. I do dance classes, I love to teach, and I want to be a teacher and a mother one day even. That’s my personal dream in life, and that’s why I owe it to him in a way. He helped me see that I can embrace my autism. I can’t fit in when I was born to stand out; out of the ordinary through everything. We’re like puzzle pieces, we fit in different ways: creativity, athletics, gifted and other ways. I’m not a freak, I’m just unique. That is my personal saying.”

## Vaccine clinic set for cats, dogs

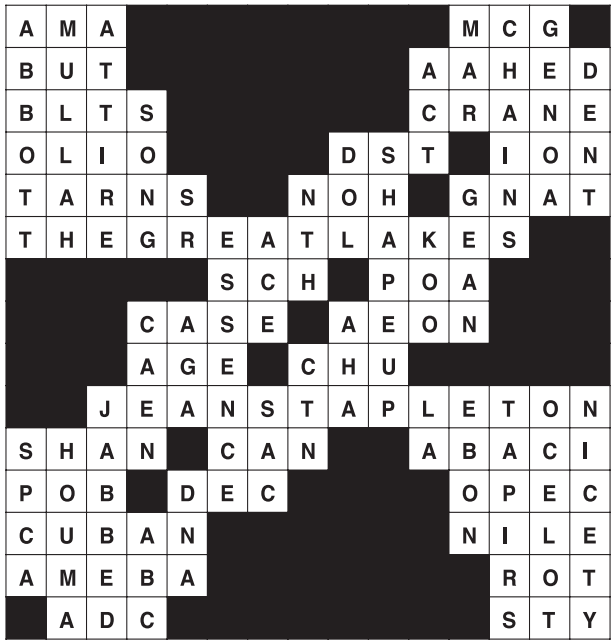
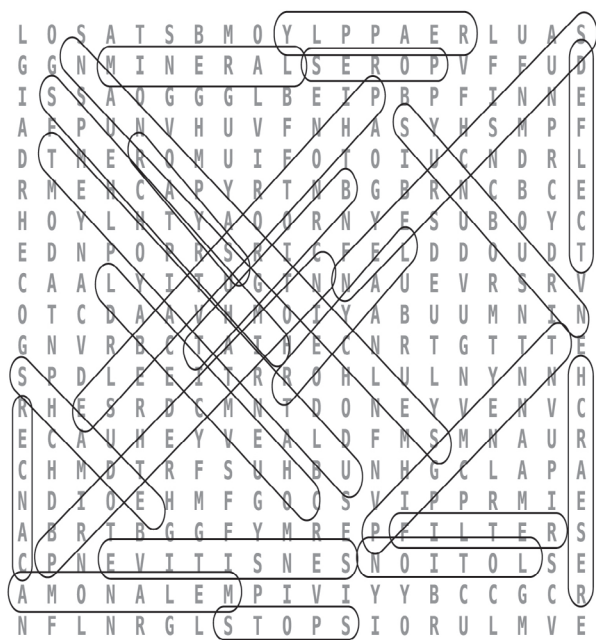
PAWS and The Dogs’ Den will hold a low-cost vaccine clinic for cats and dogs from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday, July 21, at PAWS, 9803 Jonestown Road, Grantville.

Distemper and rabies vaccinations will be provided; for a three-year rabies vaccination, owners must provide proof of previous rabies vaccination.

There is a cost for the first-come, first-served clinic. Breeders will not be serviced. All cats must be in secure carriers; all dogs must be leashed.

For more information, call The Dogs’ Den at 717-469-7325 or email doggieden@aol.com.

## ANSWERS | PUZZLES ON B4



# CHURCHNEWS

## Calvary Orthodox Presbyterian Church



Calvary church has been a part of the Middletown Borough community since 1936. It has been our privilege to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ all these years and to do so knowing the good news has never changed in over 2000 years. We firmly hold to the Apostles' Creed and the Westminster Confession of Faith and its Larger and Shorter Catechisms as clearly teaching what Scripture teaches. If we believe the Gospel of Christ, then by trusting in his death and resurrection for sinners we will be forgiven and saved from God's wrath. Please join us each Sunday to hear the Gospel. Learn more at: [www.calvaryopc.com](http://www.calvaryopc.com).

Our worship services are at 10:15 a.m. and 6 p.m. We are located at the corner of Spruce and Emaus streets here in Middletown. We have a fellowship meal following the 10:15 a.m. morning worship service on the first Sunday of every month, free to all who come. We also have Sunday school classes for all ages at 9 a.m. and a Bible Study and prayer meeting each Wednesday at 7 p.m. We are studying the power of prayer on Wednesday nights.

## New Beginnings Church of Middletown



We are an independent body of believers offering God's invitation for a new beginning to all who seek it. We exist to meet the spiritual, emotional and physical needs of all people through faith in Jesus Christ. We are a Safe Sanctuary congregation. New Beginnings Church invites you to worship with us each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Nursery and children's church is provided. Our congregation meets at Riverside Chapel, 630 S. Union St., next to the Rescue Fire Company.

Sunday School for all ages is at 9 a.m. We are handicap accessible via ramp at back door. For additional church information call 717-388-1641. For security purposes our back and side doors will be locked every Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. at the start of worship. The only door for entry after that will be the front door.

The community is invited to our new contemporary service on Monday evenings at 7 p.m. entitled "New Beginnings Unchained Worship Fellowship." Persons who have no church affiliation or are seeking to grow in their faith in their relationship with God are invited. We invite you to come and check out our new service.

Sundays: Children's choir rehearsal Sundays at 10 a.m.; Youth Fellowship meets Sunday evening from 5 to 7 p.m.

Mondays: Men meet every Monday morning for prayer at 6 a.m. Community men are welcome; Sociable Seniors group meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays from 1 to 3 p.m. All are welcome.

Wednesdays: Craft Group meets at 1 p.m. the 1st Wednesday of the month; Choir practice at 6:30 p.m.

Thursdays: Blanket makers meet the 1st and 2nd Thursdays of the month at 9 a.m.; Intercessory Prayer meets at 6 p.m., followed by Bible Study at 7 p.m.

Saturdays: We clean the Middletown Food Bank the 3rd Saturday every other month. The community is invited to participate in these important areas of

our church life.

Greeter for July: Bonnie Harper. Children's church leaders for Sun., July 14: Pam Eberly and Kara Connors. July ushers: Eva Allen, Tammy Kreiser and Pat and Harvey Givler.

Our prayer garden in the rear of the yard has an 8-foot cross that is made out of nails. It is illuminated every night from 8 p.m. to midnight. From spring to winter benches are provided to use to meditate or just enjoy the beauty and quietness along the Swatara Creek.

Pastor Britt writes a daily devotional on the Facebook page "Pastor Britt Strohecker."

Our Sunday worship service is broadcast on the MAHS radio station, WMSS 91.1 FM at 3 p.m. every Sunday afternoon. Listen on the radio or the Internet at [www.pennlive.com/wmss/audio](http://www.pennlive.com/wmss/audio). Check us out on our website at [www.newbeginningschurchmiddletownpa.com](http://www.newbeginningschurchmiddletownpa.com).

Pastor Britt's parting words each Sunday: "Nothing in this world is more important than the love of Jesus Christ!" We invite you to come and experience this love.

## Evangelical United Methodist Church



Evangelical Church is located on the corner of Spruce and Water Streets at 157 E. Water St., Middletown, south of Main St., behind the Turkey Hill convenience store. We invite you to attend our Sunday morning activities: Sunday school is at 9 a.m. and worship is at 10:15 a.m. When you walk in the door, you will see people of all ages and walks of life, some dressed formally and others casually in jeans and sneakers. Come as you are. Our greeters wear nametags, so they are easy to find and they will be happy to help you if you need any assistance or have a question. We celebrate communion the first Sunday of each month. In the spirit of Jesus Christ, and as a congregation in the United Methodist Church, we welcome all (baptized or un-baptized) to partake of the holy sacrament. We invite you to experience life at Evangelical UMC. Whether you are looking for a community, are lonely, searching for the meaning of life, or want to know more about Jesus, our doors are open for you. Check our website to learn more about us: [www.eumch.org](http://www.eumch.org).

This week's worship assistants are as follows: Pastor – Lee Ellenberger; Organist – Don Cowsett; Children's Time – Lee Ellenberger; Audio Visual – Steve Moyer and Justin Hahn; Head Usher – Julie Kupp; Greeters – Barbara Etnoyer and Maryann Horner; Nursery Caregivers – Gloria Clouser and Joan Rudy.

This week's schedule of activities is as follows:

Wed., July 10: 6 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous Group Book Study.

Sun., July 14: 9 a.m., Sunday school for all ages; 10:15 a.m., Worship Service.

Tues., July 16: 8:30 a.m., Mission Central; 2 p.m., Prayer Shawl Ministry; 6 p.m., God's Kitchen at Wesley, meal provided by Geysers; 7 p.m., Trustee meeting in Room 1.

## Ebenezer United Methodist Church



Ebenezer United Methodist Church and Child-care, 890 Ebenezer Road, Middletown invites everyone to join us for worship on Sunday mornings lead by Pastor Brad Gilbert. Our services are relaxed and casual. We offer a traditional service at 8:45 a.m. and a contemporary service with a band (electric guitars) at 10:45 a.m. At 10 a.m., between services, there is a variety of Christian Education classes for all ages.

We have several things happening at Ebenezer and all are welcome. There is a prayer time, "Partners in Prayer" that meets the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. Through scripture, song, and meditation we experience the joy of God's presence.

Have a favorite board game? "Game Night" is every third Monday at 6:30 p.m. We also offer a variety of other groups including Bible studies.

Any questions please call us at 717-939-0766 or e-mail us at [ebenezerumc890@outlook.com](mailto:ebenezerumc890@outlook.com).

## Geyers United Methodist Church



God is Calling YOU! How is God working in your life? Where do you see Him in your everyday tasks? How is He helping to Open Minds, Open Hearts, and Open Doors? Geyers United Methodist Church invites you to worship with us each Sunday at 9 a.m., enjoy Coffee Fellowship at 10 a.m. and attend our 10:30 a.m. Bible Study so that we can help you better understand the answers to these questions and many more. Our Vision Statement is Acknowledge Christ in all we do and share Him with others and we keep that at the forefront of our minds in all the missions this church does.

Nonperishable food items are collected for the Middletown Food Bank each Sunday. Campbell Soup labels, education box tops, printer ink cartridges and soda tabs are also collected weekly.

Consider volunteering at Mission Central the fourth Tuesday of each month. Our next trip will be Tuesday, July 23. We will leave Geyers at 8:15 a.m. and return about noon. Please wear closed toe shoes. Contact Kathy Espenshade for more information. Make reservations by calling the church office at 717-944-6426.

The church has had many new exciting additions in the past year! Geyers has completed expanding their building. The building project includes the addition of a handicap-accessible restroom on the top floor as well as an elevator to allow travel from the first floor to the basement floor without use of the stairs. Please join us on any Sunday morning to see the changes. Wesley, Geyers, Evangelical, Highspire, and New Thing

churches team up to provide a free meal each Tuesday at 6 p.m. at Wesley United Methodist Church in Middletown. All are welcomed, so whether you need a good home-cooked meal, a night off from cooking, or a friend to talk to, come out and enjoy a meal with us.

The Easter Egg Committee is pleased to announce the Easter egg profit for 2019 is 18,760.19. Many thanks to everyone who worked so hard on this project, without you this project wouldn't have been possible.

For more information, please visit our website at [geyersumc.com](http://geyersumc.com) and like our page Geyers United Methodist Church on Facebook to keep up with our current events.

Geyers is located at 1605 South Geyers Church Road, Middletown in Londonderry Township. Pastor Steve Atanasoff and the church office can be reached at 717-944-6426 or [geyerschurch@verizon.net](mailto:geyerschurch@verizon.net).

Thank you!

## St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church



St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Spring & Union Streets (121 N. Spring St), Middletown. We are a Reconciling In Christ Church. Visit our website at [www.stpetersmiddletown.org](http://www.stpetersmiddletown.org). Please join us for worship. Luther Hall Sunday, Adult Sunday church school at 9 a.m. Our worship times are: Sunday morning worship at 10 a.m. Sunday Church school for all ages begins at 9 a.m.; Wednesday morning at 10 a.m., Good Shepherd Chapel; Saturday evening at 5 p.m., Good Shepherd Chapel. For Wednesday and Saturday services please enter the church through the parking lot doors. Our Sunday worship service is broadcast on WMSS 91.1FM at 11 a.m.

Free Summer Lunch For Kids and Teens – We will host the Middletown Area School District Free Summer Lunch Program for all children 18 years and younger through August 9 from 11:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. No registration or sign up is required. Kids just need to show up for lunch, rain or shine. Please share this information with your family, friends and neighbors. Other locations include: Middletown Area High School Cafeteria through August 2 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and Fink Elementary School, War Memorial Field concession stand through August 9 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Free Little Library: St. Peter's has a Free Little Library located at the entrance door by the parking lot. This Free Little Library belongs to everyone. Anyone may use it. The books are always free. It is not necessary to give a book to take a book. Come take a look, read a book!

Food Pantry News: Especially needed are personal care/toiletry items: toilet tissue, deodorants, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoos, conditioners, cotton swabs, tissues, soap, paper towels, etc. Items collected are taken to the Middletown Area Interfaith Food Pantry located at 201 Wyoming Street, Royalton. Individuals may also take items directly to the food pantry, which is open Tuesdays and Fridays, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 pm. The Community Action Commission office is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the same location. Food Pantry Sunday is Aug. 4 (the first Sunday of each month).

Check us out on Facebook - St. Peter's Lutheran Church Middletown, PA. Go ahead "like" our Facebook page. Remember, if you "Like" and "Follow" us on Facebook when there are new "posts" you will be notified. Thanks.

# State tops country in Lyme disease cases; officials urge caution

Pennsylvania Department of Health officials are reminding Pennsylvanians that ticks and mosquitoes can transmit dangerous diseases in their bites and encourage residents to learn the proper ways to protect against them when outside this summer.

"Each year, mosquitoes that carry West Nile virus and ticks that carry Lyme disease are found across Pennsylvania," Secretary of Health Dr. Rachel Levine said. "It is essential that all residents know the proper ways to protect themselves against these dangerous diseases. We encourage all Pennsylvanians to get outside and be healthy by doing so in the safest way possible."

Pennsylvania leads the nation with the greatest number of cases of Lyme disease with about 10,000 cases reported in 2018. Over time, if not treated, Lyme disease can lead to severe symptoms that affect the heart, nervous system and joints.

If you have been bitten by a tick, make sure to monitor the area for any symptoms, which can include a swollen bulls-eye shaped rash; fever; chills; headache; fatigue; muscle and joint aches; and swollen lymph nodes.

Ticks are found in shrubs, weeds, leaf litter, and tall grasses, but can be found anywhere there is grass. When outside, cover exposed skin, wear light colors to help see if ticks are on you, and use insect repellent that contains 20 percent or more DEET, according to health officials.

After being outside, check yourself, your children and your pets thoroughly for ticks and remove any that are attached. Then, take a shower to help remove any ticks. Putting clothes in the dryer using high heat will

help kill any ticks that might still be left.

In 2018, there were 130 human cases of West Nile virus reported in the state. Mosquitoes that transmit West Nile breed in areas with standing water. Most people infected with West Nile virus do not develop any symptoms, but about one in five will have symptoms that resemble other illnesses, which might include fever, headache, body aches, joint

pains, vomiting, diarrhea or a rash.

West Nile virus can also lead to other serious conditions such as encephalitis (brain swelling) or meningitis (inflammation of the membrane around the brain). Other severe symptoms can include neck stiffness, confusion, disorientation, coma, tremors, muscle weakness and paralysis.

Protect yourself from getting bitten by West Nile-infected mosquitoes by wearing insect repellent containing DEET during the April-to-October mosquito season, especially during dusk and dawn when many mosquitoes are actively feeding. Reduce the amount of standing water around your home. Cleaning the gutters on your house, emptying any outside containers, turning over any plastic pools and wheelbarrows when they're not being used and using landscaping to get rid of standing water that collects around your property are all ways to decrease the number of mosquitoes with West Nile virus, according to state health officials.

If you are having symptoms consistent with those caused from an insect or tick bite, contact your health care provider.

For more information on ticks and Lyme disease, or on mosquitoes and West Nile virus, visit the Department of Health website.



# Civil War Roundtable to discuss Gen. Lee's Gettysburg thinking

The Hershey Civil War Roundtable will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 18 at Country Meadows, Main Building, 451 Sand Hill Road, Hershey.

Following a brief business meeting, Mark Vogt will present "Lee's Strategic 'View' From Seminary Ridge."

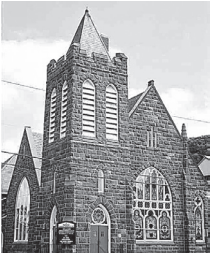
Vogt will discuss what might have been on Gen. Robert E. Lee's mind after the first two days at

Gettysburg, and the strategic and psychological factors that influenced Lee's thinking.

The meeting is free and open to the public. Anyone interested in the history of the Civil War is invited to attend.

For additional information, contact Thomas Lehman at [tomjeanlehman@gmail.com](mailto:tomjeanlehman@gmail.com) or [hershey.civilwarroundtable@comcast.net](mailto:hershey.civilwarroundtable@comcast.net).

## Presbyterian Congregation of Middletown



Presbyterian Congregation of Middletown The Presbyterian Congregation is located at 290 N. Union St. in downtown Middletown. We are a body of Christian people who reach out to others by sharing God's Word, love, and fellowship. Warm greetings to one and all as we seek to grow closer to our Lord Jesus Christ. Please join us on Sunday at 10:30 a.m. as Pastor Christian Neubaum leads us in worship. Our sanctuary is air-conditioned and handicapped accessible, and there are also hearing devices for anyone wanting to use one. Nursery is available during the service, as well as Bible Listening bags for children to utilize during the service. Do join us!

Our electronic newsletter can be accessed anytime at [www.pcmtdt.org](http://www.pcmtdt.org). Click on "resources"... click on "newsletter." (These are PDF files should open with Adobe Acrobat). For further in-

formation, see our website [www.pcmtdt.org](http://www.pcmtdt.org), visit our Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/PresbyterianCongregation](http://www.facebook.com/PresbyterianCongregation)), or call the office.

# DIRECTORY OF CHURCH SERVICES



**Calvary Orthodox Presbyterian Church**  
10 Spruce Street, Middletown • 717-944-5835  
Sunday School - 9 am • Morning Worship 10:15 am  
Evening Worship - 6 pm  
[www.calvaryopc.com](http://www.calvaryopc.com)



**Ebenezer United Methodist Church**  
"Love God, Love People, Make Disciples"  
890 Ebenezer Road, Middletown  
(Corner of 441 & Ebenezer Road)  
Phone 717-939-0766  
Sunday Worship:  
Traditional - 8:45 am • Contemporary - 10:45 am  
Christian Education (All Ages) - 10 am  
Christian Child Care - 717-985-1650  
BRAD GILBERT, Pastor  
[www.ebenezerumc.net](http://www.ebenezerumc.net)



**Evangelical United Methodist Church**  
Spruce & Water Sts., Middletown  
717-944-6181 • [www.eumch.org](http://www.eumch.org)  
Sunday School (all ages) - 9 am  
Sunday Worship - 10:15 am



**Geyers United Methodist Church**  
1605 South Geyers Church Road, Middletown  
717-944-6426  
PASTOR STEVAN ATANASOFF  
Worship - 9 am - Followed by Coffee Fellowship  
Sunday School - 10:30 am



**New Beginnings Church**  
at the Riverside Chapel  
630 South Union St., Middletown • 717-388-1641  
Sunday School - 9 am • Worship Service - 10:30 am  
PASTOR BRITT STROHECKER  
Everyone Is Welcome!



**Presbyterian Congregation of Middletown**  
Union & Water Sts., Middletown • 717-944-4322  
Church School - 9:15 am • Worship - 10:30 am



**St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
121 N. Spring Street, Middletown  
Church Office 717-944-4651  
REV. DR. J. RICHARD ECKERT, Pastor  
Sunday Worship - 10 am  
Sunday Church School - 9 am - for all ages  
Saturday Worship - 5 pm - in the Chapel  
Wednesday Worship - 10 am in the Chapel  
Worship Broadcast on 91.1 FM - 11 am  
We are a Reconciling in Christ Congregation



**Seven Sorrows BVM Parish**  
280 North Race St., Middletown  
Parish Office 717-944-3133  
REV. TED KEATING, JR., Pastor  
Saturday Evening Vigil - 5:30 pm  
Sunday Masses - 8:00 am, 10:30 am & 6:00 pm  
Confessions: Saturday - 7:30-7:50 am, 4:30-5:15 pm



**Wesley United Methodist Church**  
64 Ann Street, Middletown  
PASTOR NAYLO HOPKINS  
Phone 717-944-6242  
Sunday Worship - 9:15 am  
Small Groups - 10:30 am

To list your church service here, call 717-944-4628 or email [info@pressandjournal.com](mailto:info@pressandjournal.com) for more information.

# FROM THE VAULT

News from the Thursday, July 6, 1961 edition of the Press & Journal

## Four new teachers hired; five resigned

Middletown Area School System directors hired four teachers this week for the 1961-62 term.

At the same time, the resignations of Leonard M. Volk, instrumental instructor; Mrs. Toby Robinson, elementary teacher; Robert C. Brush, commercial teacher; Mrs. Dorothy Buffington, music instructor, and Jay Book, mathematics teacher, were submitted and accepted.

Hired to fill some of these vacancies were:

- Miss Dawn Louise Breu, a graduate of Lock Haven State Teachers College, to teach sixth-grade students. Miss Breu has five years of experience as a YWCA supervisor and summer camp work instructor in the White Plains, New York, area.

- Miss Linda Hill, Harrisburg, graduate of Pennsylvania State University, was elected to a high school teaching position.

- Mrs. Edith H. Bainbridge, a graduate of Elizabethtown College, was hired to teach sixth-grade studies. She has taught in the Elizabethtown School District for the past two years.

- Mrs. Miriam Gulley, a Temple University graduate, was elected physical education instructor. She has taught for nine years in Lancaster and Philadelphia schools.

School directors also hired Mrs. Ethel W. Biesecker to the position of payroll clerk and machine operator in the administrative office.

## Desperados



**Desperados ... three of 'em loose in Royalton, and you'd better watch out. The "deadly" trio with the big pistol are 10-year-old Bob Faust, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Faust, 7-year-old Paul Reismiller and his 11-year-old brother David, children of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reismiller, all of Royalton. The children were pictured on the Fourth of July making a little noise to help celebrate the holiday.**

## 5 girls attending Scout Camp

Five Middletown Girl Scouts are attending Girl Scout Camp Pine Grove's first two-week session, which opened June 25 at Gardners. They are: Candice A. Kimerer; Susan Hampl; Dorothy A. Borresen; Susan Borresen and Karen A. Bryson.

Emphasis at Pine Grove, one of the United Fund Services to the Middletown area, is on girl planning. Each camper is a member

of a small group known as a patrol. Patrol leaders are elected by each patrol. They meet regularly with the staff to plan activities.

Each unit serves 24 girls, or three patrols.

Two of the units have had star study expeditions this session. Miss Joyce Karakas of Royal Oak, Michigan, Pine Grove's nature consultant, has been the leader.

## Emergency operation performed to save life of youth in Highspire crash

A 14-year-old Middletown boy was still listed in a critical condition at the Harrisburg Hospital this morning from injuries received in a two-car collision in Highspire shortly after 6 o'clock Tuesday evening.

Donald Kauffman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Kauffman, 201 Conewago St., who suffered a compound fracture of the skull, underwent an emergency operation yesterday. He was thrown from the car operated by his sister, Sally, 16, who received a broken nose and arm fracture. She was

brought home yesterday.

Another passenger in the Kauffman car, Robert Willi, 16 of 709 Maple St., is listed as satisfactory although the extent of his injuries has not been determined.

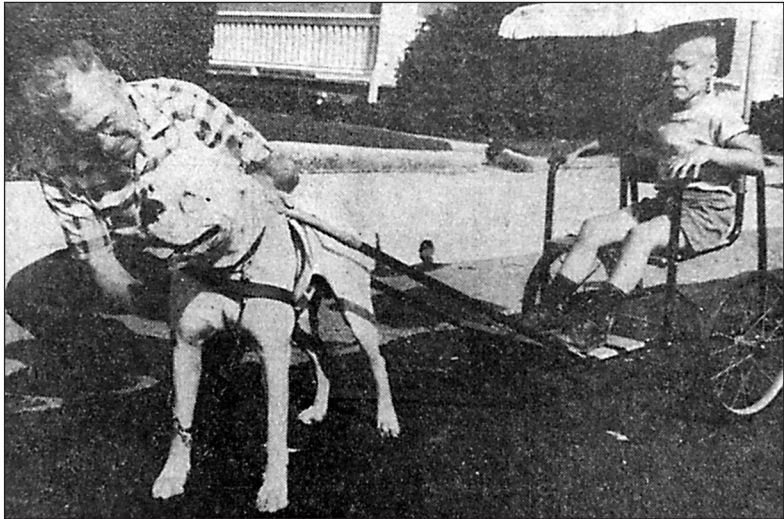
Lower Swatara Township police said the Kauffman car was struck broadside by another operated by Lewis L. Leonard, 31, of 411 Swatara St. The Kauffman car was traveling on White House Lane, and the accident happened when an attempt was made to cross the highway on Second Street.

Police said the Leonard car was

traveling east on Route 230 and apparently went through a red light. He will be charged with failure to stop at the signal light.

Both Leonard and George Hemperly, 40, of Highspire, who was in the Leonard car, were treated and released. Two others in the Leonard car were admitted to the hospital. They are Robert Still, 34, of Windy's Trailer Court, who suffered a fractured leg, cuts and bruises, and Mrs. Ruth Koch, Katherine and Gilbert streets, Highspire, who was treated and released.

## Beats walking



**A novel mode of transportation was seen on the borough streets recently with "Champ," the 2-year-old bulldog, taking 5-year-old Michael Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Adams, 564 N. Union St., for a buggy ride. Champ's owner, Elwood Derr, 537 N. Union St., is pictured adjusting the harness. It took only a couple of tries and Champ was ready to parade. Just keep the cats out of the way.**

## Other headlines

- Kiwanis Club sets dates for annual fair
- 103 children receive Learn-to-Swim awards
- Pony League tournament opener comes to Middletown
- Local man hurt while working in Baltimore

## Children feted at lawn party

Mrs. John Holtman entertained her nieces and nephews at an "Aunt Dot" party on the decorated porch and lawn of her home, 140 Race St., on Saturday.

Games were played, and each child was presented with a gift.

A picnic lunch was served to Susan and Cindy Shank, Hummelstown; Steven and Nancy Adams, Eugene, Oregon; Donald, Ken, John and Paul Hess of State College.

Mrs. Hoffman was surprised when she was presented with a chair and crowned queen by the children.

## Hot buys

- Black or red raspberries, 10-quart bucket, \$2. Pick your own for 8 cents per pound. Strite's Orchard, 1000 Strite Road.
- Norge two-door refrigerator, \$283. Singer's TV and Appliances, Wood and Wilson streets.

# PUZZLES AND HOROSCOPE

### WORD SEARCH | ANSWERS ON B2

Sun safety word search

Bright Cancer Chemical

Deflect Filter Layer Lotion Melanoma Mineral Nanoparticles

Photostable Pigment Pores Protection Rays Reapply Research

Sensitive Shade Spectrum Spots Sunburn Sunscreen Ultraviolet

L O S A T S B M O Y L P P A E R L U A S  
G G N M I N E R A L S E R O P V F F U D  
I S S A O G G G L B E I P B P F I N N E  
A F P U N V H U V F N H A S Y H S M P F  
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A M O N A L E M P I V I Y Y B C C G C R  
N F L N R G L S T O P S I O R U L M V E

Guess Who? answer: Alessia Cara

### SUDOKU

9 5 3 7 4 6 2 8

3 2 7 9 8 6 4 1

Level: Advanced

Puzzles are a 9-by-9 grid, broken down into nine 3-by-3 boxes. Nos. 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. Figure out the order by using the numeric clues provided. The more you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle.

4	2	6	1	7	8	9	5	3
5	8	7	2	9	3	6	4	1
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1	5	2	6	3	7	4	8	9
6	4	3	9	8	2	7	1	5
7	9	8	5	1	4	2	3	6

### GUESS WHO? (answer below Word Search)

I am an R&B singer born in Canada on July 11, 1996. I wrote poetry and did theater as a child and eventually developed a YouTube channel. My debut single helped me earn the Grammy Award for Best New Artist in 2018.

### CROSSWORD | ANSWERS ON B2

ACROSS

1. Doctors' group  
4. One millionth of a gram  
7. Contrary to  
8. Oohed and \_\_  
10. Popular sandwiches  
12. Construction site machine  
13. Variety act  
14. Fall back  
16. An electrically charged atom  
17. Mountain lakes  
19. Japanese classical theater  
20. Pesky insect  
21. Natural wonders  
25. Design file extension  
26. Genus of grasses  
27. Container for

shipping  
29. Theron film "\_\_\_ Flux"  
30. Get older  
31. Chinese surname  
32. Edith Bunker actress  
39. Natives to Myanmar  
41. Soda comes in it  
42. Counting frames  
43. Where some get their mail (abbr.)  
44. Having ten  
45. Assn. of oil-producing countries  
46. A type of cigar  
48. World's longest river  
49. Single-celled animal  
50. Decay  
51. General's assis-

tant (abbr.)  
52. Pigpen

DOWN

1. \_\_\_ and Costello  
2. Islamic teacher  
3. Clothing  
4. Disfigure  
5. Irons  
6. NW Italian seaport  
8. Play a role  
9. A reduction  
11. Short poem set to music  
14. Pain unit  
15. Get in form  
18. Junior's father  
19. To the \_\_\_ degree  
20. Wild or sweet cherry  
22. Content  
23. Earn a perfect score

24. Korean surname  
27. Herb \_\_, San Francisco paper columnist  
28. Ottoman military commander  
29. Satisfaction  
31. Kids' TV channel (abbr.)  
32. Poke quickly  
33. Pouch  
34. City of Angels  
35. Dark olive black  
36. Nocturnal hoofed mammals  
37. Wild cat  
38. Fine detail  
39. Prevents harm to creatures  
40. A city in Louisiana  
44. Everyone has their own  
47. Basics

### HOROSCOPE | WEEK OF JULY 10

**ARIES** MARCH 21-APRIL 20  
Your ingenuity is ramped up and you can roll up your sleeves and get down to business this week. Avoid distractions by focusing on the details and not taking on too much.

**TAURUS** APRIL 21-MAY 21  
Arm yourself with information because you need to support your ideas with ways to get things done. Only with information can you move forward.

**GEMINI** MAY 22-JUNE 21  
Time heals all wounds. You may need some time to recover from some emotional wounds. Just be patient and you'll get back on track.

**CANCER** JUNE 22-JULY 22  
Teamwork may seem like the way to go to get an important job done. Share your ideas and solicit others' thoughts as well.

**LEO** JULY 23-AUG. 23  
It is time to sort through your life, and that can begin with sorting through your belongings. Start to get rid of anything that you haven't used in the last year and move on.

**VIRGO** AUG. 24-SEPT. 22  
Honesty is the best policy, but you may need to approach a situation with discretion. Try to get your point across without coming across as abrasive.

**LIBRA** SEPT. 23-OCT. 23

You may need to do a little damage control between two people who are close to you. It can be challenging not taking sides when both are pressing for you to support them.

**SCORPIO** OCT. 24-NOV. 22  
Overcome your fear of rocking the boat. Others need to hear your opinion. Your honesty will be appreciated and inspire loyalty.

**SAGITTARIUS** NOV. 23-DEC. 21  
Emphasize the importance of accountability to team members. Use yourself as an example, insisting that you will be held accountable just like everyone else.

**CAPRICORN** DEC. 22-JAN. 20  
If you are ready to put yourself out there in the name of love, a dynamic person could sweep you off your feet. A special date could have you contemplating a future together.

**AQUARIUS** JAN. 21-FEB. 18  
Drama in your life may lead to some hectic times. If you approach things with a calm head, then you can sail through the week relatively unscathed.

**PISCES** FEB. 19-MARCH 20  
A power struggle won't prove the headache you're anticipating it to be. Stay patient and listen to what others have to say.

# VIEWPOINTS

## READERVIEW

### Township has stood in the way regarding efforts at 230 Diner

My name is Helen Haggag. I am the wife of Essam Haggag that has owned the former 230 Diner since the year 1999. I would just like to say that the only truth in the article dated June 5 seems to be what was quoted by the township official’s comment made by township solicitor Mark Stewart. He says, “All efforts are being made, and they’re being made with the eye toward an actual resolution of the property where it’s frankly not in this person’s hands anymore because nothing is going to happen if it is.”

Unfortunately he omitted the fact that Londonderry Township has been trying to rid my husband of his property since the day he first restored it back in 2000. We as a family had all good intentions of creating a business that would employ many townspeople and provide the community with a diner they could be proud of as well as earn an income to support his family like any hard working immigrant looking to fulfill his dreams in America as well as his desire to contribute where he was able.

Frankly, Mr. Jeff Burkhart, code enforcement officer could have easily located, contacted called or emailed my husband as he certainly has all of our information. Mr. Burkhart has had no problems finding us since he became a part of the township when he has sent fine after fine and denial after denial of permits and permission to open for business to the same address on file since we purchased the property.

He is correct when he says we may have gone bankrupt. We are now paying back an expensive Chapter 13 bankruptcy as a result of the realization that we would never be permitted to

utilize the property in any way at all.

In fact, the diner was renovated and opened three separate times since the fire. It has not been vacant as he was quoted in the article. After the building was seriously flooded in 2011 we were entangled in a drawn-out court battle to recoup finances on an insurance policy. Ever since, we were consistently denied a permit to do business of any kind for every reason under the sun. In fact, the reason it has been vacant since 2014 is that Mr. Burkhart informed us that if we obtained an appraisal of the property he would be willing to apply for a block grant to buy out the property. We are still waiting until this day to receive any consistent reason or outcome of his proposal. Even with past violations presented to us we tried in earnest to correct the violations only to be notified with a sticker order to stop all work.

In conclusion I would like to implore the township to at least try to be truthful. How dare they say what they say and do what they do!

We do, however, apologize to the townspeople for losing out on what could have been a place of business that would have been an asset to the community in so many ways. Instead it has become nothing more than a blight that frankly has put our family through hell. We were, I believe, intentionally discouraged in every way possible and unfortunately are now between a rock and a hard place and still the township wants only to harm us consistently, assuring themselves that we have no chance of returning. You can be the judge of why.

**Helen Haggag**  
*Cleona*

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## EDITORIALVIEWS

### Many benefits if Middletown becomes bicycle-friendly

We can’t wait to see what happens with a proposal to make Middletown a “bicycle-friendly community.”

Because we think it’s a great idea.

The borough and its residents often struggle with a town-gown relationship with Penn State Harrisburg. We see growth in bicycles as a way to improve that by allowing students easier access to the borough. Middletown has questions about parking availability. Wouldn’t it be nice to have an option of riding bikes safely through the area instead of taking a car?

Alejandro Davila, a Penn State Harrisburg master of business administration degree candidate, proposes placing bicycle-sharing stations at locations throughout Middletown, where people could rent a bicycle at one station and return it to any other station in town. Bicycle-sharing stations also would be located at Penn State Harrisburg, which Davila hopes to incorporate in his plan.

A number of midstate municipalities, including Harrisburg and Hummelstown, have these bicycle-sharing stations in place, also known as Zagster stations for the company that provides the bicycles.

It’s so simple. Borough officials need to see what it would take to make it work.



Council Vice President Mike Woodworth encouraged Davila pursue the initiative, “because I think it is a good idea.”

Davila already has met once with Public Works Director Greg Wilsbach, who said there is a lot of work to be done, but that Davila’s plan ties in with the vision for the new Amtrak train station to be built along West Main Street.

It would mean extending West Emaus Street to West Main Street, and making West Emaus more pedestrian and bicycle-friendly to make it easier for Penn State Harrisburg students — and people in general — to get downtown.

Wilsbach also noted that bicycle road markings on Union Street were added as part of the downtown improvement project.

“You’re going to have more and more college kids using bicycles. Not all of them drive,” Wilsbach said.

“Transportation and recreational bike paths are good for the community.”

Davila is a great example of the potential of getting around via a bike-friendly borough. He lives just outside of Harrisburg but rides anywhere he wants in the city, along Front Street, to the Broad Street Market, even outside the city to Wildwood Park near Harrisburg Area Community College. He also likes to ride on the Greenbelt.

If Middletown could become known as a bicyclist destination, imagine how that would benefit the borough. The proposed replacement for Kids Kastle known as Little Middletown is being touted as a way to bring in people from outside the community to patronize our businesses and restaurants. Bringing bicyclists here would be, in our view, just as big of a draw, if not bigger.

And that’s just the benefit of bicyclists coming from

## Yes, we have a problem at the border ... it’s us



**ROBERT KOEHLER**

Yes, we have a serious problem at the border — indeed, at every border we create and defend with force of arms and bureaucratic indifference.

“If you want water, just drink from a toilet.” That’s what Border Patrol told one thirsty woman we met on today’s #DemsAtTheBorder trip. These are the same CBP personnel who threatened to throw burritos at members of Congress. Changes must be made.”

So tweeted U.S. Rep. Judy Chu in the wake of a visit by congressmen and women to Texas border facilities recently, stirring even further incredulity and disgust about the nature of these American concentration camps for immigrants.

The problem we have is ourselves.

In the process of defining ourselves in “us vs. them” terms — obsessively protecting ourselves from an enemy — we jettison our values and become everything we pretend not to be. Defining a particular group as the enemy gives one permission to dehumanize that group. This is essence of militarism. It’s also called racism.

Just prior to the congressional delegation’s border visit, organized by the House of Representatives Hispanic Caucus, ProPublica published a disturbing story about a secret Facebook group for current and former Border Patrol agents called “I’m 10-15.” The term is Border Patrol code for “aliens in custody,” writes A.C. Thomp-

son. The three-year-old group has about 9,500 members.

Some of these members “shared derogatory comments about Latina lawmakers who plan to visit a controversial Texas detention facility on Monday, calling them ‘scum buckets’ and ‘hoes,’” according to the article.

They also “joked about the deaths of migrants, discussed throwing burritos at Latino members of Congress visiting a detention facility” and posted several illustrations unrestrained in their vulgarity, making fun of Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez.

“In another thread, a group member posted a photo of a father and his 23-month-old daughter lying face down in the Rio Grande. The member asked if the photo could have been faked because the bodies were so ‘clean,’” exclaiming, “I HAVE NEVER SEEN FLOATERS LIKE THIS.”

Joaquin Castro, head of the Hispanic Caucus, said, according to ProPublica, the site “confirms some of the worst criticisms of Customs and Border Protection. These are clearly agents who are desensitized to the point of being dangerous to migrants and their co-workers” and they “don’t deserve to wear any uniform representing the United States of America.”

Here’s the thing. This is situation normal at the American border — and by “border” I mean every confrontational setting between America’s armed protectors and a defined enemy. These settings are both internal and external.

Fascinatingly, barely a month before the ProPublica revelations were published, some-

thing called the Plain View Project hit the news. As I wrote at the time: “The project, an exhaustive, two-year analysis of social media posts by some 2,800 police officers and 700 former officers, from police departments across the country, revealed another non-surprise: a racist subculture permeates American police forces.”

Thousands of such posts, I noted, which are from officers’ personal Facebook pages, can be seen at the Plain View website. For instance: “It’s a good day for a choke hold.” “Death to Islam.” “If the Confederate flag is racist, then so is Black History Month.” And, as though in solidarity with the Border Patrol: “Sooner or later they end up in a cage, where (they) belong.”

The parallels are so naked, so obvious: When you define particular people as the enemy and arm yourself against them, you also dehumanize them. A father and his 2-year-old daughter, who drowned trying to cross the Rio Grande, become “floaters.” Their lives don’t matter in the least. And when people holding such views are wearing official government uniforms (not KKK robes), their actions are in our names.

The crucial point to make here is that this is not about “bad apples.” It’s about a culture of militarism, which, unavoidably, equals a culture of racism. How can it not? The enemy is killable, which means he and she — and their children — must be dehumanized.

This was made gruesomely clear to me when I attended the Winter Soldier hearings outside Washington, D.C., in 2008. Indeed, this was the focal point of a panel discussion called

other areas to Middletown. Our own residents would benefit from safer riding and improved health.

We see benefits when visitors to our community see people actively biking. It helps the perception of an area when the people who live there are perceived as active.

It also makes sense that it could draw a new business to town. Where there are bicyclists, it stands to reason a bicycle shop might follow.

Of course, cost is going to play a role in this. Not counting road paving, Davila estimates his proposal would cost \$96,000, including bicycle lanes and associated markings, stencils and signs, and racks for the Zagsters.

However, PennDOT spokeswoman Alexis Campbell said about \$5 million is available each year for any other mode of transportation including projects that improve or create bicycle facilities.

So the money might be there from outside sources. If not, the borough needs to seriously consider taking on some of the cost itself.

This could be a great opportunity to improve the borough at a relatively low cost. We look forward to Davila and the borough working together, and for residents to give input to make this potential transition as smooth as possible.

“Racism and War: The Dehumanization of the Enemy.” The panelists talked about how they learned contempt and disgust for all Iraqis and how it manifested on the ground in Iraq.

“I joined the Army on my 18th birthday,” said panelist Mike Prysner. “When I joined I was told racism was gone from the military. After 9/11, I [began hearing] towel head, camel jockey ... . These came from up the chain of command. The new word was hadji. A hadji is someone who takes a pilgrimage to Mecca. We took the best thing from Islam and made it the worst thing.”

And Geoff Millard: “Hadji was used to dehumanize anyone there who is not us. KBR employees who did our laundry became hadji. Not a person, not a name, but a hadji. ‘They’re just hadjis. Who cares?’ The highest ranking officer, Gen. George Casey, used the word. He called Iraqi people hadjis. These things start at the top, not the bottom.”

We cannot prepare to kill others without first dehumanizing them. This is the foundation of military culture, and I fear it pervades all our armed agencies. There are no obvious or simple solutions, like tougher enforcement of political correctness by governmental higher-ups.

For now, the best I can say is this: Change — setting aside our weapons, redefining what it means to be safe — begins with awareness.

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## Beauty & Wellness

### Build an effective (and budget-friendly) home gym

Physical fitness is important. Exercise guidelines depend on the individual, but the American Heart Association recommends adults get at least 150 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic activity every week. That amount may need to be increased to meet specific goals, such as weight loss.

In order to meet their fitness goals, many people invest in home gyms. Home gyms can be a convenient way to maximize physical activity and help people maintain muscle mass. According to Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital, a Harvard-affiliated medical center, staying fit can improve physical strength, reduce seniors' fear of falls, increase confidence, and improve sleep.

When setting up a home gym, people may be tempted to invest a fortune into their equipment. But such investments aren't entirely necessary. Here are some ways to have a functional, budget-friendly workout space in your home.

- Invest in elastic resistance bands. Invest in lightweight elastic bands. According to a study published in 2018 in the Journal of Sports Science & Medicine, such bands can improve strength just as effectively as many weight machines commonly found in gyms. Resistance bands don't take up much space and can be tucked out of sight when not in use.
- Dedicate a workout space. Many



people find that areas away from the bustle of the household are great spaces to devote to home gyms. Include a full-length mirror that lets you make sure you're performing exercises correctly and invest in a stereo to pump in inspirational music. The fewer the distractions, the more likely you will commit to your exercise regimen.

- Invest in a set of dumbbells. Adjustable dumbbells or a few of various weights are a good investment. Dumbbells are compact and can be used to perform a variety of strength-training exercises. Begin with light weights and work your way up to reduce your risk of injury.
- Try stability balls. Stability balls are used to perform various core exercises, according to Harvard Medical School.

The body's core can be strengthened to improve balance, reduce back pain and more. Stability balls also can be used to perform abdominal crunches, squats, hamstring curls, and body bridges. Balls also can double as a bench when working with dumbbells.

- Don't forget about cardio. Elliptical machines, stationary bikes and treadmills are effective, but there are other ways to get your daily dose of cardiovascular exercise. Lateral shuffles between two points on a gym floor, or setting up a circuit of jumping jacks or skipping rope can keep your heart rate up and improve health.

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# First class of Penn State Capitol Campus reunites, marks 50 years

By Phyllis Zimmerman  
Special to the Press & Journal

The Penn State Capitol Campus alumni gathered at the Sheraton Hershey Harrisburg for their 50th-year reunion on June 22 appeared happy, yet somber.

They shared an unspoken commonality that their graduation year of 1969 left a unique mark on our nation's history, as well as their lives. It was the year of the original Woodstock music and national unrest. It was the year man first stepped on the moon and the Vietnam War showed no signs of ending soon.

It was also the first year that a class of any notable size graduated from what is now known as Penn State Harrisburg, in Lower Swatara Township. The campus opened in 1966 on the site of the former Olmsted Air Force Base. At that time, the campus only had one main building.

In 1969, Capitol Campus graduated 300, but only 86 attended the 50th class reunion on June 22.

Since graduation, eight classmate couples married and stayed that way. Some left the area for jobs but returned "home" in later years. Most were just glad to be there to join together again on Saturday.

"It's been 50 years, but we still have smiling faces while we renew our memories and all that we shared together," 1969 alumnus Tom Stovicek said.



PHOTOS SPECIAL TO THE PRESS & JOURNAL BY PHYLLIS ZIMMERMAN

Jay and Connie Bowden socialize with PSU Harrisburg Chancellor John Mason. The Bowdens met as students at what was then the Capitol Campus and graduated together in 1969. They married a year later.



Above, PSU Capitol Campus graduate John Larkin browses through a campus yearbook from 1969, the year he graduated. Left, PSU Capitol Campus 1969 alumnus Tom Stovicek stands by a photo depicting part of the campus history of more than 50 years.

## Legion plays 4 times in 4 days, wins 3

By Larry Etter  
Press & Journal Staff

Middletown's American Legion baseball team was forced to play four games in four days in the next-to-last week of the regular season, but came out as winners in three of those contests in a strong display of good baseball.

Following a loss to Hummelstown on Thursday, June 27, Post 594 ran off three straight victories over the next three days to increase its season win total to six, recording wins over Hummelstown, Linglestown and Upper Dauphin prior to the final week of the season.

### Hummelstown 12, Middletown 2

On June 27, Hummelstown erased a 2-1 Middletown lead with a pair of runs in the bottom of the fifth inning and then erupted for nine more in the bottom of the sixth to end the game early due to the 10-run rule.

Matt Schopf's RBI single gave Middletown the early 1-0 lead that stretched to 2-0 before Hummelstown came to bat. Post 265 scored a single run in the bottom of the third to make it a 2-1 game.

But Hummelstown pitchers Ethan Westerberg and Mitchell Kleman held the Middletown batters scoreless the rest of the way and the offense went ahead 3-2 in the home half of the fifth.

While the Middletown offense was limited to four hits (two each by Schopf and Garrett Miller), Hummelstown recorded seven hits. Nick Bennett, Jake Arnold, Kleman, Westerberg, Brayden Rupert and Ryan Gerst drove in runs for the winners.

### Middletown 10, Hummelstown 4

Post 594 reversed its fortunes at home June 28 with a 10-4 triumph

over visiting Hummelstown.

After jumping out to a 4-0 lead in the bottom of the first inning, Post 594 saw that advantage erased as Post 265 tied the score in the top of the fourth frame. But a six-run rally in the home half of the sixth stanza and a shutout in the top of the seventh locked up the victory for the home team.

The uprising was kicked off by an RBI single by Tim Wagner.

Scott Ash, who was also the winning pitcher, had driven in Middletown's first run with a single in the bottom of the first frame. Ash struck out 10 batters and gave up four hits and four runs.

Middletown batters tagged Hummelstown starter Josh Gardner with five hits and six runs over 3 2/3 innings.

Post 265's big fourth inning was keyed by hits from Josh Gardner, Jake Arnold, Westerberg and Dylan Goddard.

Ash and Cam Peters each had a pair of hits to lead the Middletown offense to eight hits overall, and the Post 594 defense played flawlessly without a single error in the game. Michael Tuffy cleanly handled seven chances in the field.

### Middletown 13, Linglestown 5

Post 594 recorded its second victory of the season over Linglestown on Saturday, June 29, in a 13-5 triumph on Post 272's home field.

Matt Schopf turned in a big performance, driving in five runs to key the victory. Schopf ripped a grand slam in the first inning as Post 594 exploded for eight runs. Other hits in the first came off the bats of Tim Wagner, Brady Keyser, Scott Ash and Cam Peters.

Schopf's RBI single in the seventh inning capped a 10-hit outing for the winners. Schopf, Ash and

Marcus Mancini each had multiple hits for the Middletown squad. Zach Darcangelo had a pair of hits for Linglestown.

Keyser picked up the pitching victory, going 3 2/3 innings, allowing three runs and four hits while striking out three. Darcangelo took the loss, lasting just one inning and allowing three hits and six runs.

Following the 8-inning first frame, Middletown picked up single runs in the second, third, fifth, sixth and seventh innings. Linglestown scored one run in the first inning and two each in the second and seventh stanzas in the loss.

### Middletown 6, Upper Dauphin 3

Continuing its hot streak on Sunday, June 30, Post 594 hosted the team from Elizabethtville to take on league leader Upper Dauphin. When it was over, the Middletown team celebrated a huge victory after handing Post 404 just its second loss of the season.

Trailing 3-0 heading into the bottom of the sixth inning, Post 594 erupted for six runs in a big turnaround and the defense, with Michael Tuffy on in relief of starter David Alcock, shut out the visitors in the top of the seventh to lock up the victory.

Alcock earned the pitching win with his six innings of work on the hill. He scattered eight hits and three runs while striking out four in the decision.

Hot bats by Middletown led to 11 hits. Mancini, Justin Yohn, Alcock and Wagner each had a pair of hits to lead the attack, and the defense played error-free in the game.

Tuffy's double in the pivotal sixth inning drove in two runs to spark the six-run rally.

## LEGION: Season finale a loss for Middletown team

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frame drove in pinch runner Alec Merry following Ash's single for the first run. In the second stanza, Tuffy singled to left center with two outs to plate Avery Williams for run No. 2.

In the top of the fourth, Schopf was hit by a pitch with one out, and scored with two outs on Keyser's hit for run No. 3. Keyser, thanks to a pair of Dauphin errors, scored the fourth run.

Ash and the defense took care of

the rest of the game and finished the shutout for the win.

### Dauphin 4, Middletown 2

With a different lineup for the second game, Middletown could not get much going offensively and Post 594 fell to the Dauphin Rebels 4-2 in the season finale.

Post 594 broke a 0-0 stalemate in the bottom of the second stanza on a two-run homer by Schopf. Facing a 2-1 count, Schopf ripped Sam Sackler's next pitch over the left-field fence for the round

tripper. Unfortunately, Sackler and reliever Isaac Myers kept the Middletown team off the scoreboard the rest of the way.

Dauphin scored all four of its runs in the top of the third, using walks, errors and a single hit to plate the scores.

Post 594 got just one hit, a bloop single by Miller with two outs in the fifth, the rest of the way.

The Rebels also had just one hit, a one-out single in the top of the fifth, but the 4-2 lead held up as Dauphin secured the victory.

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